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## (54) 4-oxo-nitrogen bridgehead compounds

(57) Nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula (I)

[wherein

R is H, alkyl or alkoxycarbonyl R1 is H or alkyl; or R and R1 together form -(CH=CH)<sub>2</sub>-

R2 is H, halogen, alkyl, phenyl or a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic saturated ring,

R3 is H, optionally substituted phenyl, acyl, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl -CN, carbamoyi, alkylcarbamoyi, alkyl, alkanoylcarbamoyl, acidhydrazido, or

\_CO\_\_NH\_\_N=C (R12 R13) (wherein R12 and R13) are alkyl, carboxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonyl-alkyl or phenyl) or

 $R^2$  and  $R^3$  form —  $(CH_2)_t$  (t is 3 or 4) Z is oxygen and n is 0, 1 or 2 and

a) if R11 is H and R9-R10 and R7-R8 form chemical bonds then R4 is H or phenyl,

YR5R6 represents oxygen or

Y represents nitrogen and

R<sup>5</sup> is alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy or alkoxycarbonyl or phenyl optionally substituted by nitro, alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl and/or halogen; mono- or bi-cyclic nitrogen-containing heteroaryl, hydroxy aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino,

R<sup>6</sup> represents an unshared electronpair, or H or alkyl, and in these two cases a salt is formed or

 $R^5$  and  $R^6$  form  $\leftarrow$  (CH<sub>2</sub>), — (p is 4 or 5) and a salt is formed with N+ or

b) if R9 is H and R10-R11 and R8-R7 form chemical bonds, then R4, R5, R6 and Y are as given under item (a); or

c) if R8-R9 and R10-R11 form chemical bonds, then

R<sup>4</sup> is H or phenyl,

YR5R6R7 represents halogen, or

YR<sup>6</sup>R<sup>7</sup> represents oxygen and R5 is H or alkyl; or

YR6R7 represents sulfur and R5 is cyano; or

Y represents nitrogen and R5 is alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or

alkoxycarbonyl; phenyl optionally substituted by nitro, C1-4 alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl and/or halogen; or mono- or bicyclic nitrogen containing heteroaryl,

R<sup>6</sup> is H or alkyl, or

 $R^4$  and  $R^6$  form —  $(CH_2)_m$  — (m is 3)

R5 and R6 form --- (CH2) --- (p is 4 or

R7 represents an unshared pair of electrons] and the tautomers and salts

The novel compounds possess physiological activity.

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## Nitrogen bridgehead compounds, the salts thereof, processes for their preparation and pharmaceutical compositions containing them

The present invention relates to nitrogen bridgehead compounds, the salts thereof, processes for 5 their preparation and pharmaceutical compositions containing them.

The new nitrogen bridgehead compounds have the general formula:

$$R^{3}$$
 $R^{7}$ 
 $R^{5}$ 
 $R^{5}$ 
 $R^{5}$ 
 $R^{10}$ 
 $R^{10}$ 
 $R^{2}$ 
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We have unexpectedly found that compounds of the general formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & (CP_D^1)_{n} & R^2 \\
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R^2 & R^3
\end{array}$$
(III)

10 contain active hydrogens in the methylene group beta to the nitrogens and these active hydrogens are suitable for electrophilic substitution reactions.

According to one feature of the present invention there are provided compounds of the general formula (I)

[wherein 15 15

R represents hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or alkoxycarbonyl containing 1-4 carbon atoms in the alkoxy

R¹ represents hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; or R and R¹ together form —(CH=CH)<sub>2</sub>— being attached to the two adjacent ring-carbon atoms in which case the dotted line represents a carbon-carbon bond, 20

R<sup>2</sup> represents hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, phenyl or a 5- or 6-membered monocyclic heterocyclic

saturated ring;  $\overline{R}^3$  represents hydrogen, optionally substituted phenyl,  $C_{1-4}$  acyl e.g. alkanoyl, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl

containing C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, nitrile, carbamoyl, alkylcarbamoyl, alkyl; C<sub>1-4</sub> alkanoyl substituted carbamoyl, acid-hydrazido, (—CONHNH<sub>2</sub>) or —CO—NH—N=C(R<sup>12</sup>R<sup>13</sup>) (wherein R<sup>12</sup> and R<sup>13</sup> which may be the same or different, each represents C1-4 alkyl or carboxyalkyl or alkoxycarbonyl-

alkyl or phenyl),

R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> form together —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>t</sub> (wherein t is 3 or 4), Z represents oxygen and

n is 0, 1 or 2 and

a) if R11 is hydrogen and R9 and R10 together and R7 and r8 together each form a chemical bond then R4 stands for hydrogen or phenyl,

Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, in which case R5 and R6 each represents a lone pair of electrons; or

35 Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and

 $R^5$  represents  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy or alkoxycarbonyl containing  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy or phenyl optionally substituted by one or several nitro, C1-4 alkyl, or alkoxycarbonyl containing C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, and/or halogen; mono- or bicyclic nitrogen-containing heteroaryl,

hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino, 40

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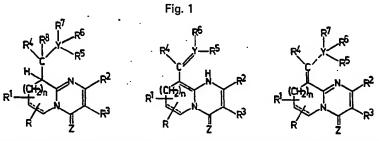
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R<sup>6</sup> represents an unshared electron-pair, hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, and in these two cases a salt is formed between the positive nitrogen and an anion, or R<sup>5</sup> and r<sup>6</sup> together form —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub> (wherein p is 4 or 5) and a salt is formed with the positive nitrogen; b) if R10 and R11 together form a chemical bond and R9 stands for hydrogen, R8 and R7 together form 5 a chemical bond, then R4, R5, R6 and Y are as given under item (a); or c) if R8 and R9 together, and R10 and R11 together each form a chemical bond, then R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, and Y, R5, R6, R7 together form a halogen atom; or Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, 10 R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> each represents an unshared electron-pair, and R5 represents hydrogen or C1-4 alkyl; or Y represents a sulfur atom without its lone pairs of electrons. R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> each represents a lone pair of electrons, and 15 R5 is cyano; or 15 Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R5 represents C1-4 alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or alkoxycarbonyl or phenyl optionally substituted by nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, or alkoxycarbonyl containing  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, and/or halogen mono- or bicyclic nitrogen containing heteroaryl,  $R^6$  represents hydrogen or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, or  $R^4$  and  $R^6$  together form —  $(CH_2)_{\rm m}$ — wherein m is 3 or 4, or  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  together form —  $(CH_2)_{\rm p}$ — wherein p is 4 or 5, and 20 20 R7 represents an unshared pair of electrons] and the tautomers and salts thereof. Where a salt is formed with a positive nitrogen the anion is preferably a halide ion. 25 The compounds of the present invention serve as starting materials for the preparation of 25 interesting physiologically active compounds, and moreover, in general, possess interesting physiological activity per se. Thus the bridgehead compounds of the general formula I and certain compounds prepared therefrom may be of interest in therapy.



The prepared compounds of the general formula I may exist in three tautomeric forms:

All such forms of the compounds of formula I and salts thereof are within the scope of the present invention.

Depending upon the nature of the substituents one or another tautomeric form amy predominate, or two tautomeric forms under given circumstances may form an equilibrium mixture which may be shown by spectroscopic methods. Each tautomeric form may also exist in the form of Z—E geometric isomers. In the Examples the prepared products are named according to the prevailing tautomeric form.

The present invention includes all the possible geometric isomers and racemic and optically active forms of the nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula!

It will be appreciated that the dotted line present in the 6,7-position may, if, desired, represent a carbon-carbon bond so that either a single carbon-carbon bond or a double carbon-carbon bond may be present in a 6—7 position.

In general a single carbon-carbon bond is present in the 6,7-position except where R and R<sup>1</sup> together form the group —(CH=CH)<sub>2</sub> in which case a double carbon-carbon bond is present e.g. for aromaticity.

Preferred compounds of the present invention include compounds of general formula I wherein n is 0. Compounds of general formula I wherein n is 1 are also preferred. Also preferred are those compounds of the formula I wherein R and R<sup>1</sup> stand for hydrogen or R represents  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, particularly methyl e.g. in the 6-position and R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, preferably methyl.

In the compounds of formula I R<sup>2</sup> preferably represents hydrogen, halogen, phenyl or a 5- or 6-membered saturated monocyclic heterocyclic ring. Where R<sup>5</sup> is present this group is preferably pyridyl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino.

According to the invention compounds of general formula I (as hereinbefore defined) and the tautomers and salts thereof may be prepared by reacting a nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula

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$$R^{1} \xrightarrow{(CH_{2})_{r_{1}}} N \xrightarrow{R^{2}} R^{3}$$

$$(II)$$

wherein R,  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ , Z, n and the dotted line are as given above a  $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  with an imminium salt of the general formula

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{15} & X \\
N = C & A^{\Theta}
\end{array}$$
(III)

5 wherein R<sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen or phenyl, R<sup>15</sup> stands for alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or alkoxycarbonyl containing C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, phenyl or optionally substituted by one or several nitro, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or alkoxycarbonyl containing C<sub>1</sub> alkoxy, and/or halogen or mono- or bicyclic nitrogen containing heteroaryl, preferably pyridyl,

R<sup>16</sup> stands for hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or
R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> together form —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>— wherein m is as given above or
R<sup>15</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> together form —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— wherein p is as given above,
X represents halogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkoxy,
A is an anion

15 and thus nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula

are obtained — wherein R, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>15</sup>, R<sup>16</sup>, A, Z, n and the dotted line are as defined above, or a<sub>2</sub>/ with a diacetal of the general formula

$$R^{15}$$
  $OR^{17}$  (IV)  
 $N - C - OR^{17}$   
 $R^{16}$   $R^{4}$ 

20 wherein R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>15</sup>, R<sup>16</sup> are as given above and R<sup>17</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl and thus nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula

$$R^{15}$$
 $R^{15}$ 
 $R^{16}$ 
 $R^{15}$ 
 $R^{1}$ 
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^{3}$ 
 $R^{3}$ 

are obtained, wherein R, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>15</sup>, R<sup>16</sup>, Z, n and the dotted line are as defined above, or a<sub>3</sub>/ with a trialkyl ester of orthocarboxylic acid of the general formula

wherein R4 and R17 are as defined above, and thus nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula

$$R^{1} \xrightarrow{(CH_{2})_{n}} N \xrightarrow{R^{2}} R^{3}$$
(Ic)

are obtained, wherein R,  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$ ,  $R^{17}$ , Z,  $\pi$  and the dotted line are as given above, or 5 a/ with an amine of the general formula

wherein R15 and R16 are as defined above and with the trialkyl ester of the orthocarboxylic acid of the general formula V — wherein R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>17</sup> are as defined above and thus nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula lb are obtained — wherein the substituents are as defined above, or a with an amidine of the general formula

$$R^{L} - C = \begin{pmatrix} N - R^{18} \\ R^{15} \end{pmatrix}$$
 (VII)

wherein R4, R15 and R16 are as defined above and R18 is phenyl and thus compounds of the general formula lb are obtained — wherein the substituents are as given above — and by converting, if desired, a compound of the general formula la, lb; ic or ld

obtained by any of the above methods into another compound of the formula la, lb, lc, ld or I and, if desired, converting R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup>, R<sup>9</sup>, R<sup>10</sup>, R<sup>11</sup>, or Y in the obtained compound of the general formula I into another R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R10, R11, or Y in optional order and/or resolving an obtained racemate and/or converting it to a pharmaceutically suitable salt or setting it free from its salt.

The term "C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl" used hereinafter stands for a straight or branched alkyl such as methyl, ethyl, 20 n-propyl, isopropyl, etc. The "optionally substituted phenyl" term may stand for a phenyl substituted by one or several, same or different substituents, such as  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, amino, hydroxy, carboxylic acid, carboxylic acid derivative, nitro, or halogen. The term " $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy" inlcudes straight or branched alkyl containing alkoxy. The term "carboxylic acid derivative" may stand for alkoxycarbonyl containing  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, nitrile, aminocarbonyl optionally substituted by  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkanoyl, ( $C_{1-4}$  alkyl containing dialkylamino-methylene)-amino substituted on the amino group or carbohydrazido. The optionally substituted heteroaryl group" may include monocyclic or bicyclic compounds containing one" or several, same or different heteroatoms, optionally substituted by alkyl, nitro, alkoxy, amino group or groups and halogen(s) (such as pyridyl).

The heterocyclic compounds of the general formula II used as starting materials may be prepared by the methods disclosed in Hungarian patent specifications Nos. 156,119, 158,085, 162,384, 162,373 and 166,577 and Dutch patent specification No. 7,212,286 and compounds of the formulae III—VII used as reactants or compounds used for the preparation thereof are products commercially available.

Imminium salts of the general formula III used in method a \( may preferably be prepared in situ from the corresponding acid amide derivative by using acid halide or ester used for quaternation.

As an acid halide phosphoroxychloride, phosgene, thionyl chloride, phosphorus pentachloride, aluminium trichloride, organic acid chlorides, sulfonic acid chlorides, phosphoroxybromide and other acid halides may be used.

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As ester derivatives dialkyl sulfates, alkyl halides, alkyl sulfonates (such as alkylbenzenesulfonate, alkyl-p-toluene-sulfonate, etc.) trialkylphosphate, trialkyl oxoniumfluoroborates may be employed.

As acid amide, derivatives N.N-dimethylacetamide, N.N-dimethylformamide, N-methyl-Nphenylformamide, N,N-diethylbenzamide, N-formyl-poperidine, benzanilide, formanilide, 1-methyl-2pyrrolidinone and other acid amide derivatives are preferred.

The reaction may be carried out in an excess of the used acid amide or in the presence of an inert solvent. As inert solvents hydrocarbons, preferably benzene, toluene, halogenated hydrocarbons, preferably chloroform, dichloromethane, dichloroethylene, o-dichlorobenzene, chlorobenzene, ethers, preferably dioxan, tetrahydrofuran may be employed. The reaction is carried out at -10-200°C. 10 preferably at 0-100°C.

10 The reaction may be performed by adding dropwise a solution of the compound of the general formula II dissolved optionally in an acid amide or inert solvent to the mixture of acid amide-acid halide or alkylating agent diluted, if desired, with a suitable inert solvent, preferably at a temperature of –50°C. In order to complete the reaction the mixture is stirred at 50—200°C, preferably at 50—120°C. The reactants may preferably be added in a different order, too. The reaction mixture may 15 be further worked up by evaporating the reaction mixture at reduced pressure, by treating the residue by a suitable solvent and by removing the obtained crystalline nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula la by filtration.

One may also proceed by converting the formed nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general 20 formula la to a different compound of the general formula I without isolation. The reaction mixture is poured to icy water or to a cooled alcohol solution followed by pouring the alcohol solution to icy water. The pH of the aqueous solution is adjusted to neutral and when using an inert solvent the organic and aqueous layers are separated or the aqueous part is shaken out with a water-immiscible solvent. The organic solvent is died and evaporated at reduced pressure. The obtained crude nitrogen bridgehead 25 compound of the general formula I is crystallized from a suitable solvent.

If as a solvent an excess amide is used the compound of the general formula I may precipitate after pouring on water in the form of crystals and may be removed by filtration.

According to the embodiment of the process variant a / a nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula II may be reacted with the diacetal of the general formula IV without any solvent or in the presence of an inert solvent at 20-200°C, preferably at 60-160°C under heating.

As inert solvents hydrocarbons (preferably benzene, toluene, xylene) or chlorinate hydrocarbons (pref. chloroform, chlorobenzene, dichloromethane etc.), nitriles (acetonitrile etc.) may be used. The reaction may preferably last for 1.0—20 hours.

The crude nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula lb obtained after evaporation, preferably at reduced pressure, is recrystallized from a suitable solvent and the compound of the general 35 formula Ib may be transformed, if desired, to different compounds of the general formula I by methods known per se.

When carrying out process variant a √ the nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula II is reacted with orthocarboxylic acid trialkyl ester of the general formula V preferably in the presence of an acid anhydride, optionally of a Lewis acid.

As acid anhydrides preferably acetic acid anhydride or propionic acid anhydride may be used, but other acid anhydrides may also be employed. As Lewis acid the conventional agents may be employed, such as aluminium chloride, zinc chloride, aluminium bromide, borotrifluoride, irontribromide and other Lewis acids.

The reaction may be carried out at 50-200°C. Related to 1 mole of nitrogen bridgehead 45 compound of the general formula II 0.9—10.0 mole of orthocarboxylic acid triethylester and 5moles of acid anhydride may be used.

The reaction time depends on the reactants and on the reaction temperature. It may vary between 5 hours to 30 hours. The reaction mixture is evaporated at reduced pressure. The residue is crystallized from a suitable solvent.

The nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula II is reacted according to method a with an amine of the general formula VI and with orthocarboxylic acid trialkyl ester of the general formula V optionally in the presence of a Lewis acid. As Lewis acid the same reactants may be used as given above. The reaction may be carried out at 30 to 200°C. Related to 1 mole of nitrogen bridgehead compound of the general formula II preferably 0.9-10 moles of an amine of the general formula VI. 1.0—10 moles of orthocarboxylic acid trialkylester of the general formula V and 0.1—10 g. of Lewis acid may be employed. The obtained reaction mixture is crystallized from a suitable solvent.

When carrying out process variant a./ a compound of the general formula II is reacted with an amidine of the general formula VII, optionally in the presence of a solvent at 80-300°C under heating. The same solvents may be used as in method a./.

According to a preferable embodiment of the process 1 mole of the compound of the general formula II is reacted with 0.9---3 moles of an amidine of the form VII. If a solvent is used, the solvent is distilled off after the reaction is completed and the residue is recrystallized from a suitable solvent. If the reaction is carried out without any solvent, the reaction mixture is crystallized from a suitable solvent, when the reaction is completed.

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In an obtained compound of the general formula I the following substituents may be converted as follows:

A compound of the general formula I — wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup>, and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen, or phenyl, Y stands for a stripped nitrogen atom, R<sup>7</sup> is an unshared pair of electrons, R<sup>6</sup> stands for C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, R<sup>5</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl — may be a/hydrolysed in aqueous medium, and thus compounds of the general formula I are obtained — wherein R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y(R<sup>6</sup>,R<sup>5</sup>) stands for oxygen. The hydrolysis is preferably carried out at a pH different from 7., b/ treated with an alcohol-hydrochloride mixture and thus compounds of the general formula I are obtained — wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> is as defined above, Y is a stripped oxygen atom, R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> represent a lone electron-pair and R<sup>5</sup> stands for C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, c/ the hydrochloride salt of the compound of the general formula I mentioned above may be reacted with an amino compound containing secondary or primary amino group and thus compounds of the general formula I are obtained wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y stands for a stripped nitrogen atom, R<sup>7</sup> is a lone electron-pair and R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are as defined above under item c/.

As an amine compound ammonia, hydrazine, phenylhydrazine, optionally substituted aromatic amine, aliphatic amine, piperidine, pyrrolidine, amino-pyridines, hydroxylamine, thiosemicarbazide, semicarbazide, guanidine, etc. may be used. The reaction may preferably be carried out in the presence of an alkane carboxylic acid, such as acetic acid or propionic acid, etc.

The latter compound of the general formula I may also be prepared from such compounds of the general formula I — wherein R<sup>11</sup> stands for hydrogen, R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen or phenyl, Y(R<sup>5</sup>,R<sup>6</sup>) stands for oxygen. The same amines may be used as mentioned above.

By treating a compound of the general formula I — wherein  $R^{11}$  represents hydrogen,  $R^7$ ,  $R^8$  and  $R^9$  25 and  $R^{10}$  form a chemical bond,  $R^4$  is hydrogen or phenyl,  $Y(R^5,R^6)$  stands for oxygen — with a halogenating agent such compounds of the general formula I are obtained — wherein  $R^8$  and  $R^9$ ,  $R^{10}$  and  $R^{11}$  form a chemical bond,  $R^4$  is hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{6-10}$  aryl,  $Y(R^5,R^6,R^7)$  stands for halogen.

As halogenating agents preferably phosphorus trichloride oxide, thionyl chloride, phosphorus
30 tribromide oxide, phosphorus pentachloride, phosphorus tribromide, aliphatic acid halide and optionally
30 suitable mixtures thereof may be used. The reaction may be carried out in an excess of the halogenating
agent or in the presence of an inert solvent.

As inert solvents aromatic hydrocarbons, such as benzene, chlorinated hydrocarbons, such as chloroform, dichloromethane, chlorobenzene etc. may be employed.

A compound of the general formula I — wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> form a chemical bond, R<sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen or phenyl, Y(R<sup>7</sup>,R<sup>5</sup>) represent oxygen, R<sup>5</sup> stands for C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl — is a/hydrolysed in aqueous medium giving thus a compound of the general formula I — wherein R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> form a chemical bond and R<sup>11</sup> stands for hydrogen, R<sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen or phenyl, and Y(R<sup>6</sup>,R<sup>5</sup>) represents oxygen. Hydrolysis is preferably carried out at a pH different from 7., b/reacted with a secondary or primary amine giving thus a compound of the general formula I —

wherein  $R^8$  and  $R^9$  and  $R^{10}$  and  $R^{11}$  form a chemical bond,  $R^4$  stands for hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a lone pair of electrons or a stripped nitrogen atom,  $R^7$  stands for an unshared pair of electrons,  $R^5$  stands for  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, amino-thiocarbonyl-amino, amino substituted by phenyl,  $R^6$  stands for hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  together form — $\{CH_2\}_p$ —wherein p is 4, 5.

The new compounds of the general formula I are first of all used as intermediate products of pharmaceutical products. These compounds are reacted with aryldiazonium salts and are converted thus to pyrido(1,2-a)pyrimidines substituted with hydrazono in the 9-position, the latter compounds being end products displaying several useful pharmaceutical activities, such as antiallergic activity. Several representatives of the compounds of the general formula I show themselves PG-antagonistic, analgetic, antiarteriosclerotic, tranquillant or other activities and may be formulated to pharmaceutical

If the nitrogen bridgehead compounds of the general formula I are used as pharmaceutical compositions then an effective amount of the drug is supplied at a daily dosage level from 1 to 1500 mg. depending on the application field, administered in a single or divided dose.

The compounds of the general formula! may be formulated into forms, such as dragées, tablets, suppositories, injections, capsules, powders or other forms and the conventional additives, disintegrating agents and carriers may be added.

The further details of the invention are illustrated by the following Examples which serve for fillustration and not for limitation.

## **EXAMPLE 1**

5.6 g. of phosgene are dissolved in 50 ml. of dichloromethane and to the solution 3.7 g. of dimethylformamide are dropped at 5 to 10°C. To the obtained suspension a solution of 11.8 g. 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido(1,2-a)pyrimidine in 20 ml. of dichloromethane is added dropwise at 30—35°C and after stirring for 2 hours the solvent is distilled

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off. The residual solid is suspended with ether, the undissolved crystals are filtered and dried. 15.2 g. (93%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-9-[/dimethyl-imino/-methyl]-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride are obtained, melting point: 211°C (decomposition).

Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>CI

N 12.82%; calculated: C 54.96%; H 6.77%; CI 10.82%; N 12.78%; CI 10.90%; C 55.08%; H 6.81%;

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## **EXAMPLE 2**

found:

15.2 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-9-[/dimethylimino/-methyl]-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride are suspended in 40 ml. of 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium 10 carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered and dried. 11.5 g. (85%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained, after recrystallization from ethanol the product melts at 135—137°C.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{15}H_{21}N_3O_3$  calculated: C 61.84%; H 7.27%;

N 14.42%: N 14.29%; 15 found: C 61.52%; H 7.33%;

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## **EXAMPLES 3 TO 10**

10.0 mmoles of a starting material as given in Table 1 are dissolved in 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added to the reaction mixture at 15-20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 2 hours at room temperature and poured to 30 g. of ice. 20 The pH of the obtained solution is adjusted to 6—6.5 by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution 20 of sodium carbonate. The precipitated solutions are filtered, washed with water, dried and crystallized. The obtained substances and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 1.

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No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	Yield	ë.	Recrystallization Empirical solvent	Empirical formula	Elem C%	Elementary analysis calculated found 2% H% N%	ysis N N	-
က်	3-ethoxycarbonyl-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrldo- [1,2-a]pyrimidine	9-/ dimethy lamino- methy lene/-3- ethoxycarbonyl-6- methy I-4-oxo-6, 7, 8, 9- tetrahy dro-pyrido/ 1, 2-a/- pyrimidine	76	136—137	ethanol	O,"H,,,N,O,	no me depres admixe produc	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example	<u> </u>	
4	3-carboxy-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	3-carboxy-9-/di- methylamino-methyl- ene/-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	59	206208 ethanol	ethanol	O.8 H.7 N.0 O.	59.30	6.52	15.96 16.10	
က်	3-aminocarbonyl-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyri- do/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-cyano-9-/dimethyl- amino-methylene-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/-pyrimidine	76	200-202 ethanol	ethanol	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O	63.92	6.60	22.67	
ώ	3-cyano-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-cyano-9-/dimethyl- amino-methylene-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	86	200–202 ethanol	ethano!	O, N, H, E, O,	no mell depress admixe product	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 5	e 5	
	3-ethoxyoarbonyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ §1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-/dimethylamino- methylene/-3-ethoxy- carbonyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	65	151–152 ethanol		, O, N, IH, IO,	60.64	6.91	15.15 15.23	B 2 011

Continuation of TABLE 1

No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	Yield	m.p. °C	Recrystallization Empirical solvent	Empirical formula	Elem C%	Elementary analysis calculated found to M% N%	alysis N%
œ	6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyri- midine-3-carboxylic acid hydrazide	N²-/dimethylamino- methylene/-9-/di- methylamino-methylene- /6-methyl-4-oxo6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-py- rido/1,2-a/pyrimidine- 3-carboxylic acid	88	177-178	ethanol	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	57.81	7.28	25.28
Ġ	2-ethoxycarbonyl-1- oxo-5,6-dihydro-1H- pyrlmido/1,2-a/ quinoline	5-/dimethylamino- methylene/-2-ethoxy- carbonyl-1-oxo-5,6-di- hydro-1H-pyrimido/1,2-a/ quinoline	77	172	ethanol	C, L, L, O,	66.45	5.89	12.91
0	3-/methylamino- carbonyi/-6-methyl- 4-oxo-6, 7, 8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-/dlmethylamino- methylene/-3-/methyl- amino-carbonyl/-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	72	210-212 ethanol	ethanol	C, H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	60.85	7.29	20.27

## EXAMPLES 11 TO 13

10.0 mmoles of a starting material given in Table 2 are dissolved in 15 ml. of dichloroethane whereafter 1.5 g. of dimethylformamide and 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour at room temperature, for 2 hours at 60°C, and poured to 20 g. of ice. The pH of the reaction mixture is adjusted to 6.5—7.0 by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated and the aqueous layer is shaken out with 2× 15 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined organic layer is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate, the dichloroethane is distilled off and to the residue ether is added, the precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with ether, dried and reboiled with ether. The obtained substances and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 2.

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TABLE 2

90					o italian iliatoria	1000	Eleme	Elementary analysis calculated	lysis
Example	Starting material	Obtained product	% piei k	Yield %m.p. 'C	solvent formula	formula	န ပိ	»H	% .X
=	3-ethoxycarbonyl-7-	9-/ dimethy lamino-methy-	82	152-154 ethanol-	ethano!-	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	61.84 7.27	7.27	14.42
	tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	7-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrldo/- 1,2-a/pyrlmidine					61.56	7.39	14.26
12	3-ethoxycarbony l-8-	9-/dimethylamino-	88	117-119 ethanol	ethanol	CisH21NO	61.84	7.27	14.42
	tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	carbonyl-4-oxo6,7,8,9-tetrahydro4H-pyrido/					61.59	7.40	14.31
13	3-ethoxycarbony 1-6,8-	9-/ dimethylamino-	62	110	ethanol-	C,6H23N3O,	62.93	7.59	13,76
	6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	carbonyl 6,8-di- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-					62.84	7.82	13.99
		tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine							

## **EXAMPLES 14 TO 17**

10.0 mmoles of a starting material given in Table 3 are dissolved in 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 4.3 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added to the reaction mixture at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour at room temperature and for 1 hour above hot water bath. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 30 g. of ice. The pH of the obtained solution is adjusted to 6.5—7.0 by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water, dried and crystallized. The obtained substances and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 3.

TABLE 3

							Eleme S	Elementary analysis calculated	ysis
No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	Yield %	m.p. °C	Recrystallization Emplrical solvent	Empirical formula	ီ ဗ	found H%	% Ž
14	6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-	9-/dimethylamino-	20	178-179	ethanol	C,H,,N,O2	63.14	6.93	16.99
	tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	methylene/-3-formyl- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrlmidine					63.16	2.00	16.91
. 15	2,6-dimethy!-4-0xo-	9-/dimethylamino-	40	176	ethanol	CININO	64.35	7.33	16.08
	6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimldine	methylene/-3-tormyl- 2,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6, 7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmidine					64.18	7.66	16.00
16×	2-methoxy-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-	9-/dlmethylamino-methylene/-	69	215-216 ethanol	ethanol	C,2H,N,O, CI	53.84	5.27	15.70
	tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine						53.92	5.58	15.54
		4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrımıdıne					O	GI% 13.24	
								13.58	
17	3./methylamino-car-	9-/dimethylamino-	82	230-232 ethanol	ethanol	C, H, N, O,	59.20	6.62	18,41
	bony!/-6-methy!4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra-	methylene/~3-/(N-tormyl- methylamino/-carbonyl/- R-methyl-4-oxo-6 7 8 9-					59.43	6.97	18,46
	/1,2-a/pyrimidine	tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine							

x = In Example 16 6.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is used

## **EXAMPLES 18 TO 21**

5.0 mmoles of a starting material given in Table 4 are dissolved in 7 ml. of dichloroethane, whereafter 1.3 g. of N-methyl-formanilide and 1.5 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are subsequently added to the solution. The reaction mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature and for 2
5 hours at boiling point under reflux. The reaction mixture is poured on 10 g. of ice after cooling and the pH of the solution is adjusted to neutral by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The organic and aqueous layers are separated and the aqueous part is shaken out with 2x 10 ml. of chloroethane. The combined dichloroethane solutions are dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate and dichloroethane is distilled off after filtration. Through the residue alcohol is distilled and it is treated
10 with 10 ml. of ether. The crystals are precipitated upon cooling, filtered, washed with ether and dried. The obtained products and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 4.

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TABLE 4

No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	% PIeIA	m.p. °C	Recrystallization solvent	Empirical formula	Elem S	Elementary analysis calculated found M% N%	alysis N%
81	3-ethoxycarbonyl-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-py- rido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-aniilno-methylens/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra-hydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	77	156	ethanol	Co.H.o.O.	100 0	6.31	11.69
19	3-/ethoxycarbonyl- methyl/-6-methyl-4- oxo/6,7,8,9-tetra hydro-4H-pyrldo/ /1,2-a/pyrlmidine	3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/- 6-methyl-9-/N-methyl- anilino-methylene/- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	<u>r</u> 2	901	rebolling with ether	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	68.64	6.86	11.43
20	3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3,6-dimethyl-9-/N-methyl-anilino-methylene/-4-oxo 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	61	140–142	140–142 rebolling with ether	O, H., O	73.19 73.16	7.17	14.23
2	3-phenyl-6-methyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-phenyl-6-methyl-9-/N-methyl-anllino-methylene/- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	75	146–147	rebolling with ether	C.H.I.N.O	77.08	6.49	11.76

**EXAMPLES 22 TO 29** 

10.0 mmoles of a starting material as given in Table 5 are dissolved in 7.3 g. dimethylformamide and 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added to the reaction mixture at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 1 hour at room temperature, for 1 hour at 55—60°C and for 30 minutes at 90°C.
5 The obtained 9-[/dimethyl-iminio/-methyl]-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine salt is hydrolysed without isolation to 9-formyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine by pouring the reaction mixture cooled to room temperature on ice and adjusting the pH of the reaction mixture to 6—6.5 by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water and dried and crystallized from the given solvent.
10 The obtained products and data thereof are to be found in Table 5.

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TABLE 5

to, of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	% plei4	m.p. °C	Recrystallization solvent	Empirical formula	Eleme C 6	Elementary analysis calculated found % H% N%	ysis N%	
22	3-/ ethoxycarbony!-	3-/ethoxycarbonyl-	88	109	ethanol	C14H18N2O4	60.42	6.52	10.07	
	methyl/-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	methyl/-9-formyl- 6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6- 7,8-tetrahydro-4H- pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrimidine					60.21	6.51	10.11	
23	3-/ ethoxycarbonyl- methyl/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-	3-/ethoxycarbonyl- methyl/-9-formyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetra-	72	162	ethanol	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	59.08	6.10	10.60	
	pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	hydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine					-			
24	3-/ethoxycarbonyl-	3-/ethoxycarbony I-	68	102	ethanol	C,H,N,O	60.42	6.52	10.67	
	methyl/-8-methyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine	methy!/-9-formyl-8- methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/- pyrlmidine					59.98	6.36	9.94	
83	3-/ethoxycarbony!-	3-/ethoxycarbonyl-	85	145	ethanol	C1,H1,N2O	80.42	6.52	10.01	
	methy!/-7-methy!- 4.oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-	methy!/-9-formy!-7- methy!-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/-					60.16	6.39	10.05	
	a/pyrimidine	o transfer of the	œ	130	ethanol	, N. J.	64.06	6.84	13.58	
56	3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9 -tetrahydro- 4H-pyri do/1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-iofmyr-3,5-ur- methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	8	3			63.86	66.9	13.60	iB 2 01
7.0	3-phenyl-6-methyl-	3-phenyl-9-formyl-	88	106-108	ethanol	O,N,T,	71.62	6.01	10.44	1 2
į	4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine					71.82	6.11	10.05	107 A

Continuation of TABLE 5

			•				Eleme	ntary ana	ysis
No. of Example	No. of Example Starting material	Obtained product	Yield %	m.p. °C	Recrystallization Empirical Yield % m.p. °C solvent formula	Empirical formula	°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°°	calculated found % H% N%	% Z
28	3-/2',4'-dinitro- phenyl/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-/2',4'-dinitro- pheny!/-9-formy!-4- oxo-1,6,7,8;-tetrahydro- 4H-pvrido/1.2-a/pxrimidine	84	264-260	264–260 acetonitrile	C1, H12N, O6	52.22 3.55		16.27
ଷ	2,3-trimethylene- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	2,3-trimethylene-6- methyl-9-formyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrimidine	59	107—109 ethanol	ethanol	6,13H,6N,0,	67.22 6.94 67.31 7.04	6.94	12.06

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#### **EXAMPLE 30**

10.0 mmoles of 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.55 g. phosphorus trichloride oxide are added dropwise at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is then allowed to stand for 24 hours at room temperature. The obtained 9-[/dimethyl-iminio/-methyl]-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine salt is hydrolysed to 9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine without isolation by pouring it on 30 g. of ice and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 6—6.5 by the addition of a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. 0.96 g. of the product is obtained. The mother liquor is shaken out twice with 10 ml. of benzene. The combined extract is dried with anhydrous benzene. The combined benzene extract is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled off and ethanol is distilled through the residue. A further 0.44 g. is obtained (total yield: 73%). Analysis for the formula C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

calculated: C 62.49%; H 6.30%; N 14.57%; found: C 62.74%; H 6.41%; N 14.51%;

## 15 EXAMPLES 31 TO 33

10.0 mmoles of the starting material as given in Table 6 are dissolved in 7.3 g. dimethylformamide and 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is added to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture is stirred for 1 hour at room temperature, for 1 hour at 55—60°C and for 30 minutes at 90°C. The formed 9-[/-dimethyl-iminio/-methyl]-/4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-20 a/pyrimidine salt is converted to 9-ethoxy-methylene-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-

a/pyrimidine salt is converted to 9-ethoxy-methylene-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine without isolation by decomposing the reaction mixture with ethanol the water from which is removed by 20 ml. of magnesium ethylate and the reaction mixture is stirred for 1 hour at 80°C, poured to 100 ml. of water and the pH of the solution is adjusted to neutral by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water, dried and recrystallized from the given solvent. The obtained substances and data thereof are shown in Table 6.

## **EXAMPLE 34**

10 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-9[/dimethyl-iminio/-methyl]-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride are dissolved in 80 ml. of water and stirred for 3 hours at 60°C. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water and dried. 7.4 g. (93%) of 9-formyl-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1 6.7 8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1.2-a/pyrimiding are obtained. Melting

ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained. Melting point after recrystallization from ethanol: 130—132°C.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{13}H_{16}N_2O_4$  calculated: C 59.02%; H 10.61%; N 6.06%; found: C 58.87%; H 10.53%; N 6.26%;

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TABLE 6

							Eleme	Elementary analysis	lysis
No. of Example	No. of Example Starting materlai	Obtained product	Yieid %	Yieid % m.p. °C	Recrystallization Empirical solvent	Empirical formula	% Ö	found H%	% Z
31	6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine	9-ethoxymethylene- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	62	62-4	ethanol	C12H16N2O2	65.43 7.32 65.24 7.39	7.32	12.72
32	6-methyi-3-phenyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/ pyrimidine	9-ethoxymethylene- 6-methyl-3-phenyl- 4-0x0-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrldo-/1,2- a/pyrimldine	87	. 118	ethano!	C,6H20N2O2	72.95	6.79	9,45
33	3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-ethoxymethylene- 3,6-dimethyl 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	. 9	100-102	ethanol	O"N"H"O	66.64	7.44	11.96

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## **EXAMPLES 35 TO 46**

10.0 mmoles of a starting material given in Table 7 are dissolved in 20 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution and the solution is stirred for an hour at room temperature and for 1 hour at 50°C. The reaction mixture is cooled to room temperature and the precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water, dried and recrystallized. The obtained substances and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 7

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							Eleme	Elementary analysis calculated	lysis
Starting material Obtained product	Obtained product		% plei4	a.p. °C	Recrystallization solvent	Empirical formula	%	found H%	%Z
	9-formyt-6-methyt-4-		95	185-186	ethanoi	C11H12N2O4	55.93	5.12	11.86
ylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- 4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmidin- pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrimidine- 3-carboxyllo acid 3-carboxyllo acid	oxo-1,6,7,8-tetranydro- 4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmldIn 3-carboxyllo acld	<u>1</u>					55.98	5.25	11.85
-			83 .	135-136	ethanol	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	59.08	6.10	10.60
3-ethoxy-carbonyl-6-methyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmidine	formy!-6-methy!-4-oxo- 1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidIne						58.64	6.25	10.67
9-/dimethylamino-methylene/- 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl/-		-/1¢	83	160-161 ethanol	ethanol	C13H14N2O4	57.59	5.64	11.19
3-ethoxycarbonyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- 4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmldine pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrlmldine	4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrimld	eui					57.51	5.86	11.13
9-/dimethylamino-methylene/- 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-		<u>.</u>	98	133	ethanol	C13H16N294	59.08	6.10	10.60
3-ethoxycarbonyl-8-methyl- 8-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine 1,2-a/pyrimidine							58.77	6.13	10.53
-/6		÷	85	135	ethanol	C14H18N2O	60.42	6.52	10.07
		2- 2-					60.45	6.38	66.6
/dimethy1-	3-cyano-9-formyl-6-meth	-  v	06	192-193 ethanol	ethanol	C11H11N3O2	60.82	5.10	19.34
amino-methylene/-6- 4-0xo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- methyl-4-0xo-6,7,8,9- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimldine tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimi	dine					60.94	5.18	19.23

Continuation of TABLE 7

	-						Eleme	Elementary analysis	lysis
No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	% pleid	a.p. °C	Recrystallization solvent	Empirical formula	<b>%</b>	calculated found H%	% %
14	9-/dimethylamino-methylene/- 3-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3,9-diformyl-6-methyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	97	183	ethanol	C1, H12 N2 O3	59.99	5,49	12.72
5	9-/ dimethy lamino-methy lene/3- 3,9-diformy!-2,6-dimethy!-formy!-2,6-dimethy!-4. 4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrlmidine	- 3,9-dlformyl-2,6-dimethyl- 4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	85	. 135	ethanol	C, H, N, O,	61.53	6.02	11.96
. 43	9-/dimethylamino-methylene/- 3-ethoxycarbonyl-7-methyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-7-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrldo/-1,2-a/pyrimidine	82	122	ethanol	C,1H,6N2O,	59.08	6.10	10.60
44	9-/dimethylamino-methylene/- 3-/methyl-amino-carbonyl/- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine	.9-formy!-3-/methy!- amino-carbony!/-6-methy!- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	8 6	215–216	ethanol	C,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	57.82	6.07	16.86 16.90
45	5-/dlmethylamino-methylene/- 2-ethoxycarbonyl-1-oxo- 5,6-dl-hydro-1H-pyrimido/- 1,2-à/quinoline	2-ethoxycarbonyl-5-formyl-1- oxo-4,6-dihydro-1H-pyrimido/- 1,2-a/quinoline	84	143–145	ethanol	C,6H,6N,0,	64.42	4.73	9.39
84	9-/ dimethy lamino-methy lene/- 3-formy I-2-chloro-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9-tetrahy dro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	3,9-diformyl-2-chloro- 4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	85	231–232	ethanol	O,40,50,50	49.91 50.24 CI 1	91 3.77 24 3.80 CI 14.73 14.97	11.64

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## **EXAMPLE 47**

To a mixture of 5.0 mmoles of 3-phenyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 1.77 g. of N,N-diethylbenzamide 1.5 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour at 50°C, and for 1 hour at 90°C. The formed 9-[/diethyl-iminio/-phenyl-methyl]-3-phenyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine salt is hydrolysed without isolation by adding 15 g. of icy water to the cooled reaction mixture and the mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water and dried. 0.6 g. (34.8%) of 9-benzoyl-3-phenyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained and recrystallized from ethanol to give a product melting at 214°C.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{zz}H_{z0}N_zO_z$ 

calculated: C 76.72%; H 5.85%; N 8.13%; found: C 76.41%; H 5.83%; N 8.25%;

## **EXAMPLE 48**

10.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine 15. and 3.54 g. of N,N-diethylbenzamide are mixed together and to this mixture 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is added at 15-20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at 50°C, and for 1 hour at 90°C. The formed 9-[/diethyl-iminio/-phenyl-methyl]-3-ethoxycarbonyl-4-oxo-6,7.8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine salt is converted to 9-[/diethylamino/-phenylmethylene]-3ethoxycarbonyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine without isolation by pouring the 20 cooled reaction mixture to 30 g. of ice. The acidic reaction mixture is shaken out with 3×15 ml. of ether. 20 The aqueous solution is neutralized with a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate and shaken out with 3x30 ml. of benzene. The combined benzene solution is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate, and the benzene is distilled off. The residual oil is stirred for 1 hour with 10 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution at room temperature and for 1 hour at 50°C. The precipitated crystals are distilled off after 25 cooling, washed with water, dried. 1.25 g. (36.8%) of 9-benzoyl-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-25 1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 166-167°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

calculated: C 67.05%; H 5.92%; N 8.23%;

30 found: C 67.24%; H 5.92%; N 8.18%;

## **EXAMPLES 49 TO 55**

10.0 mmoles of a starting material as given in Table 8 are stirred with 10.0 mmoles on amine component in 25 ml. of ethanol for 3 hours at 80°C, whereafter the reaction mixture is poured on water. The precipitated crystals are filtered after cooling, washed with water, dried and recrystallized from ethanol. The obtained substances and characteristic data thereof are shown in Table 8.

							Eleme	Elementary analysis	<u>s s</u>
No. of	Starting material	Obtained product	Amine component	% blei Y	a.p. °C	Empirical formula	%	found H%	% %
1	2-othoxycarhonyl-q-	3-ethoxycarbonyl-	aniline	95	174-175	C, 41, N, O,	67.12	6.19	12.40
9	oxo-1,6,7,8-telfa- hydro-4H-pyrldo/- 1,2-a/pyrlmidine	9-/(phenylamino)- methylene/-6-methyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine					67,04	6.23	12.26
Ç	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-	3-ethoxycarbony1-9-/ (4-	4-nitro-	77	217-219	C, 42, N, O,	59.37	5.22	14.58
R	formyl 4-methyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	_	anlline				59,05	5.32	14.69
ì	- O- Ivandrances of a	3-ethoxycarbonyl-	4-methyl-	80	116-118	C,0H,1N,O	67.91	6.51	11.90
<u>.</u>	5-enroxycaronyr-o- formyl-6-methyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-teite- hydroxyl-avrido/-	9-/(4-methylphenyl- aminomethylene/- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-	phenyl				67.52	6.48	11.41
	1,2-a/pyrlmidine	tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine							
	-lynochronyode o	3-ethoxycarbonyl-	4-chloro-	85	182-186	C, H, O, O, C	61.05	5.36	11.25
7 6	3-formyl-6-methyl- 4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetra- hvdro-4H-nylldo-/1.2-	9-/(4-chlorophenyl- amino)-methylene/- 6-methyl-4-oxo-	aniline				61.21	5.38	10.99
	a/pyrimidine	6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	σ.						( )
:		3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(2-	2-methoxy-	98	162-164	C,1H,1NO	63.47	5.79	10.53
93	3-etnoxycarbonyl-9- formyl-6-methyl-4- oxo-1,6,7,8-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	methoxycarbonyl-phenyl- amino)-methylene/-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro/1,2-a/py- rimidine	carbonyi- aniline				63.59	5.89	10.45

TABLE 8 (Continued)

				•	-		Elem	Elementary analysis calculated	ysis .	
No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	Amine component	Yield %	Yield % ∫ m.p. •C	Empirical formula	%	%H H%	, %N	
54	3-phenyl-9-formyl- 6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-phenyl-9-/(phenyl-a-mino)-methyl-non-methylene/-9-methyl-non-methyl-non-methyl-nydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	aniline	84	82-84 C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O	.C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O	76.94	6.29	12.24	
55	9-formyl-6-methyl- 4-oxo-1,6,7,8- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine	ino)-methy- 1-4-oxo- iydro-4H- pyrimidine	aniline	62	139–141	O, H, N, O	71.89	6.29	15.72	
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**EXAMPLE 56** 

10.0 mmoles of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are stirred with 10.0 mmoles of aniline in 25 ml. of ethanol for 3 hours at 80°C. 15 ml. of ethanol are distilled off and 1.5 ml. of a 10% by W/V solution of hydrochloric acid in ethanol is added and the mixture is cooled. The precipitated yellow crystals are filtered, washed with ethanol and dried. 3 g. (77%) of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-[/-phenyl-iminio/-methyl]-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride are obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 218°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl

10 calculated: C 61.61%; H 6.21%; N 10.78%; Cl 9.09%; found: . C 61.89%; H 6.24%; N 10.63%; Cl 8.96%;

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10.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(dimethyl-iminio)-methyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride are stirred with 10.0 mmoles of an amine component dissolved in 25 ml. of ethanol for 3 hours at 80°C, whereafter the reaction mixture is poured on water. The precipitated yellow product is filtered, washed with water, dried and recrystallized from ethanol. The obtained products and data thereof are shown in Table 9.

TABLE 9

No. of		Used amine	-		Empirical	Elementary analysical calculated found	
Example	Obtained product	component	Yield %	ກ.p.	rormula	C% T% N%	
57	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(phenyl-amino)-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/-pyrimidine	aniline	16	173–174	0, M, N, O,	no meiting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 49	•
58	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(4-nitro- phenyl-amino)-methylene/- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/- pyrimidine	4-nitroaniline	. 61	218–219	C, 42,0 %, O,	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 50	
29	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(4-methyl-phenyl-amino)-methylene-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	4-methylaniline	82	116–117	O.20 42.50	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 51	
09	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(4- chloro-phenyl-amino)- methylene/6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	4-chloroaniline	06	184–186	C, H <sub>20</sub> N, O, C	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 52	
61	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(2-methoxycarbonyl-phenyl-amino)-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrldo/1,2-a/pyrimidine	2-methoxycarbonyl- anlline	85	162164	O, N, D, O,	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 53	
62	3-ethoxycarbonyl-9- /(amino-thiocarbonyl-amino)- imino-methylene/-6-methyl- 4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	thiosemicarbazide	88	196–197	۵ <sub>2</sub> ۵ <sub>3</sub> ۵ <sub>4</sub> ۲ <sub>2</sub> ۲	51.38 5.64 20.77 50.95 5.38 20.51	

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#### **EXAMPLE 63**

5.0 mmoles of 9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 0.47 g. of aniline are allowed to stand in 10 ml. of 99.5% acetic acid for 24 hours at room temperature and poured to 450 ml. of chloroform. The solution is neutralized by 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The organic and aqueous layers are separated. The chloroform layer is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate, followed by the removal of chloroform by distillation and through the residual oil ethanol is distilled. The mixture is cooled and it crystallizes upon cooling. 1.4 g. /82.5%/ of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-[/phenylamino/-methylene]-6-methyl-4oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained, and crystallized from ethanol and the product does not give any melting point depression when admixed with the products of Examples 49 or 10 57.

## **EXAMPLE 64**

5.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine and 0.47 g. of aniline are allowed to stand in 10 ml. of 99.5% acetic acid for 24 hours at room temperature and the mixture is poured to 50 ml. of chloroform. The solution is neutralized with a 20% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The organic and aqueous layers are separated. The organic layer is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate, the chloroform is distilled off. The residue is cooled and the product crystallizes upon cooling. 1.4 g. (82.5%) of 3-ethoxy-carbonyl-9-[/phenylamino/-methylene]-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression when admixed with the product of Examples 49, 57 or 63.

## **EXAMPLE 65**

According to Example 64 from 3-phenyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and aniline 3-phenyl-9-[/phenyl-amino/-methylene]-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which does not give melting point depression when 25 admixed with the product of Example 54. Yield: 87.2%.

## **EXAMPLE 66**

According to Example 64 from 9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyridine and from aniline 9-[/phenyl-amino/-methylene]-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which does not give melting point depression when admixed with 30 the product of Example 55. Yield: 68.2%.

## **EXAMPLE 67**

5.0 mmoles of 9-/diethylamino-methylene/-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are heated under reflux in 15 ml. of ethanol with 0.43 g. of piperidine for 3 hours. The reaction mixture is cooled and poured on 50 ml. of water. The precipitated yellow product is filtered, covered with water and dried. 1.16 g. (70.2%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/piperidino-methylene/-6methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyridine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 136—137°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

calculated: C 65.24%; H 7.64%: found: C 65.15%; H 7.74%;

N 12.68%: N 12.40%:

## **EXAMPLE 68**

5.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are stirred for 0.5 hour under reflux with 0.52 q, of hydroxyl amine in 15 ml, of ethanol. The yellow crystals precipitated from the cooled mixture are filtered and dried. 1 g. (86.2%) of 3-cyano-9-/hydroxy-aminomethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 203°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

calculated: C 56.89%; H 5.21%; N 24.12%; C 56.55%; found: H 5.12%; N 23.95%;

## **EXAMPLE 69**

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10.0 mmoles of 3-phenyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine are stirred with 0.82 g. of hydroxylamine-hydrochloride in 20 ml. of ethanol for 1 hour at 60°C. The reaction mixture is cooled, the precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with ethanol and 55 dried. 2.8 g. (87.7%) of 3-phenyl-9-/(hydroxy-imino)-methyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine hydrochloride is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 204°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>CI CI 11.09%; calculated: C 60.09%; N 13.14%: H 5.67%: found: C 60.40%; N 12.94%; CI 11.24%: H 5.56%;

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## **EXAMPLE 70**

According to Example 69 from 9-formyl-3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and from hydroxylamine hydrochloride salt 9-/(hydroxy-imino)-methyl/-3,6dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine hydrochloride is obtained which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 205°C. Yield: 78.1%.

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Analysis for the formula C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>CI

calculated: C 51.27%; H 6.26%; N 16.30%; CI 13.76%; C 50.98%: H 6.27%; found: CI 13.68%: N 16.16%;

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#### 10 **EXAMPLE 71**

5.0 mmoles of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4Hpvrido/1,2-a/pvrimidine are dissolved in 10 ml. of 96% ethanol at 40°C. To the solution 0.42 g. of hydroxylamine hydrochloride salt dissolved in 5 ml. of water is added. The reaction mixture is allowed to stand for 24 hours at room temperature. The solution is then neutralized with a 10% by W/V aqueous solution of sodium carbonate. The crystals precipitated upon cooling are filtered and washed with water. 3-/ethoxy-carbonyl-methyl/-9-/hydroxy-imino/-methyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from 96% ethanol melts at 150—151°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

calculated: C 57.32%; H 6.53%: N 14.33%; found: C 57.79%; H 5.58%; N 14.14%;

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## **EXAMPLE 72**

5.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine are suspended in 8 ml. benzene dried above sodium whereafter 2.4 g. thionylchloride diluted with 2 ml. of benzene are added dropwise to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture is then stirred at room temperature for 1 hour. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with benzene, dried in exsiccator. 1.3 g (83%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-chloromethylene-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine hydrochloride is obtained, which after recrystallization from a mixture of ethylacetate and ethanol melts at 157—158°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> CI 22.21%: calculated: C 48.92%; H 5.05%; N 8.78%; C 49.24%; found: H 5.30%: N 8.76%: CI 21.90%;

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## **EXAMPLE 73**

5.0 mmoles of 3-phenyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are suspended in 8 ml. of anhydrous benzene and 2.4 g. of thionyl chloride diluted with 2 ml. of benzene are added dropwise to the reaction mixture. The mixture is stirred at 50-55°C for 2 hours. The obtained solution is cooled and neutralized with a 10% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated and the benzene layer is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated. 1.2 g. /83.9%/ of 3-phenyl-9-chloro-methylene-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethyl acetate melts at 126—127°C 40 Analysis for the formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OCI

H 5.27%; calculated: C 67.02%; N 9.77%: CI 12.36%: found: C 67.02%; H 5.05%; N 9.73%; Cl 12.23%;

## **EXAMPLE 74**

According to Example 73 from 9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-45 45 a/pyrimidine 0.68 g. (64.3%) of 9-chloromethylene-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine is obtained.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{10}H_{11}N_2OCI$ 

calculated: C 57.02%; H 5.26%; N 13.30%; CI 16.38%:

found: C 56.85%; H 5.11%; N 12.98%; CI 17.21%; 50

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## **EXAMPLE 75**

2.18 g. of 6-methyl-2,3-/1-methyl-trimethylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 31 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is added dropwise to the reaction mixture under stirring at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 90 minutes and the formed 6-methyl-9-/dimethyl-iminio-methyl/-2,3-/1-methyl-trimethylene/-4-oxo-55 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride is converted without isolation as described below. The reaction mixture is poured to crushed ice and stirred for 15 minutes, while the 6-methyl-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-2,3-/-1-methyl-trimethylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine gets hydrolysed. The pH of the reaction mixture is adjusted to 7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with water and dried. 1.18 g. (46%) of 6-methyl-9-formyl-2,3-/1-methyl-trimethylene/-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-

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pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 104—106°C. Analysis for the formula C14H18N2O2

Ĥ 7.37%; calculated: C 68.27%; N 11.37%; found: C 68.45%; H 7.32%; N 11.38%;

## 5 EXAMPLE 76

To the mixture of 0.95 g. of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine and 1.5 g. of N-methyl-pyrrolidone 2.3 g. phosphorus trichloride oxide is added. The reaction mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour at room temperature, for 1 hour at 60°C, and for 1 hour above hot water bath. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 15 g. of ice and shaken out twice with 10 ml. 10 of chloroform. The pH of the aqueous layer is neutralized with a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate to 6.5 to 7. The precipitated product is filtered, washed with water and dried. 0.6 g. (44%) of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-9-/N-methyl-2-pyrrolidene/-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from ethyl acetate melts at 151-152°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O

Н 6.70%; N 20.77% calculated: C 66.65%; C 66.20% H 6.76%; N 20.79%: found:

#### **EXAMPLE 77**

3.28 g. of (+)6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine  $/\alpha/_{\rm D}^{20}$  = +133° (c = 2, methanol) are dissolved in 14.6 g. of dimethylformamide and to the reaction mixture 3.06 g. of 20 phosphorus trichloride oxide is added at 15-20°C. The reaction mixture is allowed to stand for 24 hours at room temperature, and poured on 60 g. finely crushed ice. The pH of the solution is adjusted to 6.5—7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate.

The decomposed reaction mixture is shaken out with 3×30 ml. of benzene and the combined benzene extract is dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off. To the residue 15 ml. of diethylether is added, the precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with diethylether and dried. The product is purified on a Kieselgel column. 1.5 g. (40%) of (+)9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point: 102-104°C  $/\alpha/_D^{20} = +25$ ° (c = 2, methanol).

## **EXAMPLE 78**

30 11.8 g. (+)3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine 30  $[/\alpha/_{\rm p}^{20}=+122.5^{\circ}~(c=2,{\rm ethanol})]$  are dissolved in 70 ml. of dichloroethane, followed by the addition of 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 15.3 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide at 15-20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 0.5 hour at room temperature, for 2 hours at 60°C. The reaction mixture is cooled, poured to 150 g. of ice and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 6.5—7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V 35 solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated and the aqueous layer is shaken out with 2 x 100 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined dichloroethane solution is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off and to the residue 50 ml. of diethylether is added. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with diethylether and dried. 11.74 g. (78%) of (-)3-ethoxy-carbonyl-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained, which after recrystallization from ethylacetate melts at 115—116°C.  $/\alpha/_{\rm D}^{20}=-345$ ° (c = 2, 40 methanol).

## **EXAMPLE 79**

23.6 g. of (+)3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine  $/\alpha/\frac{20}{D}=+122.5^{\circ}$  (c = 2, ethanol) are dissolved in 73 g. of dimethylformamide. To the solution 30.6 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is stirred for 2 hours at 45 room temperature. The reaction mixture is then poured on 300 g. of crushed ice and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The solution is shaken out with 4 x 100 ml. of benzene and the combined benzene solutions are dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and the benzene is removed by distillation. The residual oil is dissolved in 130 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution and stirred for 1 hour at room temperature and for 1 hour 50 at 40°C. The pH of the two-layer system is adjusted to 5 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate, followed by shaking out the mixture with 1  $\times$  100 and 2  $\times$  50 ml. of benzene. The combined benzene extract is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and benzene is removed by distillation and to the residue 40 ml. of diethylether and 10 ml. of petrolether are added. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with ether and dried. 17.2 g. (65%) of (+) 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-

pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained and purified by Kieselgel column chromatography, the pure product melts at 93—94°C.  $/\alpha/p^{20} = +39°$  (c = 2, methanol).

## **EXAMPLE 80**

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3.1 mmoles of 9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 30 ml. of acetic acid and 3.3 mmoles of N-methyl-aniline are then added to the solution. 55

The reaction mixture is allowed to stand for 34 hours at room temperature, followed by pouring it on 100 ml. of water. The pH of the solution is then adjusted to 6.5—7 by the addition of solid sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are then filtered by suction, washed with water and dried. The obtained solid is suspended in 50 ml. of petrolether and filtered. The obtained 7.2 g. (82%) of 9-/Nphenyl-N-methyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine 5 are recrystallized from acetone, melting point: 153—154°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O calculated: C 72.57%; N 14.94%: H 6.81%; found: C 72.35%: H 6.82%; N 14.83%: 10 EXAMPLE 81 10 5.0 mmoles of 9-/N-phenyl-N-methyl-aminomethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 3.6 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.55 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are dropped at 15—20°C to the solution. The reaction mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature and for 1 hour above hot water bath. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 15 g. of finely crushed ice and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 6.5—7.0 by the addition of a 20% by 15 W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with water. 0.9 g (58%) of 9-/N-phenyl-N-methyl-amino-methylene/-3-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization free ethano melts at 260-261°C. Analysis for the formula  $C_{18}H_{19}N_3O_2$ calculated: C 69.88%; H 6.19%; N 13.58%; 20 found: C 70.05%; H 6.13%; N 13.53%; **EXAMPLE 82** 5.0 mmoles of 9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-3-carboxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-6.7.8.9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 10 ml. of acetic acid and 0.47 g. of aniline is added to the 25 solution. The reaction mixture is allowed to stand at room temperature, poured on 30 ml. of water, and 25 the precipitated crystals are filtered, and dried. 1.4 g. (90%) of 9-/phenyl-aminomethylene/-3-carboxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which melts at 262°C after recrystallization from acetonitrile. Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O calculated: C 65.58%; H 5.50%; N 13.50%; 30 30 found: C 65.52%; H 5.32%; N 13.36%; **EXAMPLE 83** 5.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-4-oxo-4,6,7,8-tetrahydro-pyrrolo/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 7 ml. of dichloroethane and 0.73 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.55 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide 35 are added to the solution. The reaction mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature and for 1 35 hour at 60°C, and for 30 minutes above a hot water bath. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 15 g. of crushed ice, and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 6.5-7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated. The aqueous layer is shaken out with 2×10 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined organic layer is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate. The 40 solvents are removed by distillation. To the residual oily substance 10 ml. of diethylether is added, the 40 crystalline substance is filtered by suction. 0.75 g. (58%) of 8-/dimethylamino-methylene/-3ethoxycarbonyl-4-oxo-4,6,7,8-tetrahydro-pyrrolo/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained. Analysis for the formula  $C_{13}H_{17}N_3O_3$ calculated: C 59.18%; H 6.37%; N 15.78%; 45 found: C 59.30%; H 6.50%; N 15.96%; 45 **EXAMPLE 84** 5.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 7 ml. of dichloroethane. 1.2 g. of formanilide and 1.55 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added and the reaction mixture is allowed to stand at room temperature and then decomposed by the 50 addition of 15 g. of crushed ice and the pH is adjusted to 6.5—7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V 50 solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated. The aqueous layer is shaken out with  $2 \times 10$ ml. of dichloroethane. The combined organic layer is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is removed by distillation. Through the residual oily substance ethanol is distilled followed by crystallization from ethanolic diethylether. 0.85 g. (58%) of 3-cyano-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-55 methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization 55 from ethanol melts at 207°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O calculated: C 69.85%; H 5.50%; N 19.17%;

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found:

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H 5.74%;

N 19.02%;

6.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-

C 69.86%;

pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are suspended in 15 ml. of acetic acid and stirred with 0.47 g. of aniline for 12 hours at room temperature, diluted with 30 ml. of water, the precipitated crystals are filtered by suction and dried. 1.3 g. (89%) of 3-cyano-9-/phenyl-aminomethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, the product does not give melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 84.

## **EXAMPLES 86 TO 90**

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10.0 mmoles of a starting material as given in Table 10 and 1.4 g. of dimethylformamide-diethylacetate are heated under reflux in 20 ml. of benzene for 2 hours and the solvent is distilled off, the mixture is filtered, washed with ethanol and dried. The obtained substances and data thereof are shown 10 in Table 10.

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TABLE 10

No. of Example	Starting material	Obtained product	Yield %	m.p. °C	Recrystal Ization solvent	Empirical formula	Elementary analysis calculated found
88	3-ethoxycarbonyl-6- methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2- a/pyrimidine	9-/ dimethy!amino-methyylene/-3-ethoxycarbony!- 6-methy!-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- /1,2-a/pyrimidine	85	136-137	ethanol	C, H, N, O,	on melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 2
87	3-ethoxycarbonyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/- /1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-3-ethoxycarbonyl- 4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	62	151–152	ethanol	C, H, N,O	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 7
88	3-cyano-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetra- hydro-4H-pyrido/ /1,2-a/pyrimidine	3-cyano-9-/ dlmethylamino- methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo- 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H- pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine	74	200-202	ethanol	O,1,H,6N,O	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 6
<b>88</b>	3-/methyl-aminocarbonyl/- 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9- tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/- 1,2-a/pyrimidine	9-/dimethylamino-meth- ylene/-3-/methyl-amino- carbonyl/-6-methyl-4- oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro- 4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrlmidine	94	210-212	ethanol	C,4H2,0N,02	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 10
. 06	2-ethoxycarbonyl-1- oxo-5,6-dihydro-1H- pyrimido/1,2-a/quinoline	5-/dimethylamino-methy- lene/-2-ethoxycarbonyl-1- oxo-5,6-dihydro-1H-pyrido/- /1,2-a/quinoline	09	172	ethanol	0,4, N,0,	no melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 9

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#### **EXAMPLE 91**

1.18 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are boiled under reflux with 5 ml. of ethyl-orthoformate in 20 ml. of acetic acid anhydride for 10 hours. The solvent and the excess ethyl orthoformate are distilled off in vacuo of 0.5 mmHg, the residue is 5 dissolved in 5 ml. of ethyl alcohol and poured on 15 ml. of water. The precipitated crystals are filtered by suction, washed with water and dried. 0.85 g (58%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which is eluted with benzene on a column filled with alumina and melts at 114-116°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

10 calculated: C 61.63%; H 6.90%; N 9.59%: found: C 62.00%; H 6.91%; N 9.52%;

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#### **EXAMPLE 92**

0.95 g. of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is heated under reflux with 5 ml. of ethyl orthoformate in 20 ml. acetic acid anhydride for 10 hours. The solvent 15 and the excess ethyl orthoformate are distilled off in vacuo of 0.5 mmHg and the residue is suspended in 15 10 ml, of ethanol, filtered after cooling and washed with cold ethanol and dried. 0.9 g. (74%) of 3cvano-9-/ethoxymethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 166--167°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

20 calculated: C 63.66%; N 17.13%; H 6.16%; H 6.05%; N 16.95%; C 64.03%: found:

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#### **EXAMPLE 93**

0.35 g. of 3-phenyl-9-/(N-phenyl-N-methyl-amino)-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido-/1,2-a/pyrimidine is boiled under reflux with 5 ml. of 10% by W/V ethanol containing hydrochlorid acid. The cooled solution is poured on 5 ml. of water and the pH of the solution 25 is adjusted to 7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered, covered with water and dried. 0.2 g. (68%) of 9-/ethoxy-methylene/-3-phenyl-6-methyl-4oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give a melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 32.

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1.22 g. of 3-cyano-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine is heated for 2 hours with 0.47 g. of aniline in 15 ml. of ethanol under reflux. The crystals precipitated from the cooled solution are filtered, washed with cold ethanol and dried. 1.3 g. (89%) of 3cyano-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give a melting point depression when admixed with the product of Examples 84 and 85.

#### **EXAMPLE 95**

0.93 g. of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are melted with 0.47 g. of aniline and 0.89 g. of ethyl-orthoformate under stirring at 100-110°C for 1 hour. 0.1 g. of aluminium(III)chloride is then added to the reaction mixture and the mixture is stirred at the 40 temperature mentioned before for 20 minutes. After cooling 9 ml. of ethanol is added to the melt, which crystallizes. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with cold ethanol and dried. 1.0 g. (68%) of 3cyano-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is; obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give any melting point depression when admixed with the product prepared according to Examples 84, 85 and 94.

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#### **EXAMPLE 96**

0.95 g. 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine, 0.47 g. of aniline and 0.89 g. of ethyl orthoformate are boiled under reflux in 10 ml. of ethanol for 16 hours. The cooled solution is poured on 15 ml. water. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered by suction after cooling, covered by water and dried. 0.55 g. (38%) 3-cyano-9-/phenyl-aminomethylene/-6-methyl-4oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression with any of the products of Examples 84, 85, 94 and 95.

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## **EXAMPLE 97**

1.18 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are melted together with 0.47 g. of aniline and 0.89 g. of ethyl orthoformate at 100—110°C for 1 hour. 0.01 g. or aluminium(III)chloride is then added and the reaction mixture is stirred for further 20 minutes at the temperature mentioned above. To the cooled melt 1 ml. of ethanol and 15 ml. of diethylether is added. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered by suction, washed with diethylether and dried. 1.1 g. (65%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting 60

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point depression with any of the products of Examples 49, 57, 63 and 64.

#### **EXAMPLE 98**

1.18 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 0.47 g. aniline and 0.89 g. of ethyl orthoformate are heated together under reflux in 10 ml. of ethanol for 14 hours. The cooled solution is poured to 15 ml. of water, the precipitated crystals are filtered by suction, washed with water and dried. 0.4 g. (24%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression when admixed with any of the products of Examples 49, 57, 63 and 97.

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1.18 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are stirred with 1.0 g. of N-phenyl-N'-phenyl-formamidine for 1 hour at 115-125°C and for 1 hour at 140-150°C. 1 ml. of ethanol and 15 ml. of diethylether are added to the reaction mixture. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with diethylether. 1.1 g. (65%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/phenyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression when admixed with any of the products obtained according to Examples 49, 57, 63, 64, 97 and 98.

## **EXAMPLE 100**

5.2 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-20 a/pyrimidine and 5.4 g. of N1-/4-amino-phenylsulfonyl/-N2-n-butylurea are dissolved in 50 ml. of 20 ethanol and the solution is heated for 1 hour in the presence of 1—2 drops of conc. hydrochloric acid. White crystals are precipitating from the solution. The precipitated crystals are filtered, washed with ethanol and dried. 9.1 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(4-)n-butyl-ureido-sulfonyl/-phenyl-amino/methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point: 196-198°C. 25

Analysis for the formula C24H31N5O6S calculated: C 55.85%; H 6.02%; N 13.57%: found: C 55.30%; H 6.10%; N 13.35%:

## **EXAMPLE 101**

0.9 g. of 3-cyano-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-30 30 a/pyrimidine and 0.35 g. of 2-amino-pyridine dissolved in 10 ml. of ethanol are heated under reflux for 2 hours. The reaction mixture is cooled and the precipitated crystals are filtered by suction, washed with ethanol and dried 0.9 g. (83%) of 3-cyano-9-/2-pyridyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from acetonitrile melts 35 at 251°C. 35

Analysis for the formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O calculated: C 65.52%; H 5.15%; N 23.88%; found: C 65.20%; H 4.99%; H 23.76%:

## **EXAMPLE 102**

0.89 g. of 9-/ethoxy-methylene/-3-phenyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-40 40 a/pyrimidine and 0.28 g. of aniline are heated for 1 hour at 100—110°C in a melt. The cooled reaction mixture is dissolved in 15 ml. of diethylether and 1 ml. of 10% by W/V ethanol containing hydrochloric acid is added and the mixture is cooled. The precipitated yellow crystals are filtered and washed with ethanol and dried. 1.1 g. (96%) of 3-phenyl-9-/(phenyl-imino)-methyl/-6-methyl-4-oxc-1,6,7,8-45

tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine chloride is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 280°C.

Analysis for the formula C22H22N3OCI calculated: C 69.56%; ~H 5.57%; N 11.06%; CI 9.33%; found: C 70.19%; H 5.83%; N 10.79%; CI 9.60%:

## 50 EXAMPLE 103

50 0.88 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is stirred in 6 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution for 30 minutes. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with water. 0.62 g. (78%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-formyl-6methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression when admixed with a product of Example 36. 55

## **EXAMPLE 104**

A mixture of 5.8 g. of 9-/dimethyl-amino-methylene/-3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine, 2.8 g. of glycine ester chlorohydrate and 60 ml. of methanol is heated for 12 hours and the solvents is distilled off and the obtained oil is triturated with water, and thus crystallized,

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filtered, and dried, 3.1 g. (44%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/(ethoxycarbonyl-methyl-amino)-methylene/-6methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from methanol melts at 155-157°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

5 calculated: C 58.48%; H 6.57%; N 12.05%: found: C 58.57%; H 6.67%; N 11.62%;

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## **EXAMPLE 105**

0.95 g. of 3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is dissolved in 3.1 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.55 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is added to the reaction 10 mixture at 15—20°C, and the mixture is stirred for 2 hours at room temperature. The mixture is then decomposed by 10 ml. of ethanol, dried with magnesium ethylate and boiled for 30 minutes under reflux. The decomposed reaction mixture is poured on 50 ml. of icy water, while maintaining the pH at a constant value of 7, by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with water. 0.9 g. (74%) of 3-cyano-9/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-15 tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which does not give melting point depression when admixed with the product prepared according to Example 92.

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## **EXAMPLE 106**

0.73 g. of 3-(ethoxycarbonyl-methyl)-9-(phenyl-methyl-amino-methylene)-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is heated under reflux in 8 ml. of 10% by W/V ethanol 20 containing hydrochloric acid for 1 hour, the cooled solution is poured on 30 ml. of water and the pH is adjusted to 7 by the addition of a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The aqueous solution is shaken out with 3×20 ml. of benzene, the combined benzene extract is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off. The residual oily product is purified by Kieselgel-PF<sub>254-386</sub> thin layer chromatography. 0.4 g. (65%) of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-25 oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained.

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Analysis for the formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

calculated: C 62.72%; H 7.24%: N 9.14%: found: C 62.51%: H 7.11%:

N 9.36%:

## **EXAMPLE 107**

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From 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine 3ethoxycarbonyl-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained according to Example 105 which does not give melting point depression when admixed with the product of the Example 91.

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## **EXAMPLE 108**

0.45 g. of 3-phenyi-9-/chloromethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine and 0.12 g. of ammonium rhodanide is stirred for 1 hour at room temperature in 6 ml. of acetone dried above potassium carbonate, and poured on 20 ml. of water. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered by suction, washed with water and dried. 0.44 g. (93%) of 3-phenyl-6-methyl-4oxo-9-/thiocyanatomethylene/-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after 40 recrystallization melts at 124°C.

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Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS

calculated: C 66.00%; H 4.89%; N 13.59%; S 10.36%; found: C 65.48%: H 4.89%; N 13.23%: S 10.24%:

## **EXAMPLE 109**

5.0 mmoles of 3-cyario-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 10 ml. of dichloroethane, whereafter 1.3 g. of N-methylformanilide and 1.5 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added to the solution. The reaction mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature and further 30 minutes at the boiling point under reflux. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 10 g. of ice and the pH is adjusted to neutral by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The aqueous and organic layers are separated and the aqueous layer is shaken out twice with 10 ml dichloroethane. The combined dichloroethane solution is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and dichloroethane is distilled off after filtration. Through the residue ethanol is distilled and it is recrystallized from 5 ml. of ethyl acetate and 15 ml. diethylether. The precipitated crystals are cooled, filtered and washed with ethyl acetate. 1.25 g. (82%) 3-cyano-6-methyl-9-/N-methyl-anilinomethylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from ethyl acetate melts at 161-163°C.

Analysis for the formula C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O calculated: C 70.57%; N 18.29%: H 5.92%;

found: C 70.53%; H 6.03%; N 18.03%;

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## **EXAMPLE 110**

50 mmoles of 3-/methoxycarbonyl)-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 70 ml. dichloroethane. 7.3 g. N,N-dimethylformamide and 15.3 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide are added and the mixture is stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature and for 60 minutes under reflux. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 150 g. of ice and the pH is adjusted to neutral by adding 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated and the aqueous layer is shaken out twice with 75 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined organic layer is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated. Through the residue ethyl acetate is distilled and the mixture is crystallized from ethanol. 7.8 g. (70%) of 3-/methoxy-carbonyl/-6-methyl-9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which

after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 180°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

calculated: C 60.63%; H 6.91%; N 15.17%; found: C 60.30%; H 7.10%; N 14.96%;

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10 mmoles of 3-/methoxycarbonyl/-6-methyl-9-/dimethyl-amino-methylene/-4-oxo/6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are stirred in 20 ml. 0.5 N hydrochloric acid for 2 hours at room temperature and for 1 hour at 50°C. The suspension is cooled to 5°C and filtered by suction, washed with water. 1.85 g. (74%) of 9-formyl-3-/methoxy-carbonyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from methanol melts at 155°C.

a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from methanol melts at 155°C. 20
Analysis for the formula C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

calculated: C 57.59%; H 5.64%; N 11.19%; found: C 57.20%; H 5.51%; N 10.99%;

## **EXAMPLE 112**

5.0 mmoles of 6,8-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine-3-carboxamide 25 are dissolved in 3.15 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.5 g. of phosphorylchloride oxide are added dropwise at 20°C to the reaction mixture. The mixture is then stirred for 2 hours at room temperature, poured on 15 g. of ice and the pH is adjusted to neutral by adding 20% by W/V sodium carbonate solution. The precipitated substance is filtered by suction after cooling and washed with water. 1 g.

(78%) of 3-cyano-6,8-dimethyl-9-/dimethyl-amino-methylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which melts at 133—135°C after recrystallization from ethanol.
Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O

calculated: C 65.09%; H 7.02%; N 21.69%; found: C 65.28%; H 7.13%; N 21.56%;

## 35 EXAMPLE 113

1.94 mmoles of 3-cyano-6,7-dimethyl-9-/dimethyl-amino-methylene/-4-oxo-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are stirred in 4 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution for 1 hour at room temperature and for 1 hour at 50°C. The mixture is cooled, filtered, washed with water. 0.42 g. (93.8%) of 3-cyano-9-formyl-6,8-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which melts at 139—140°C after recrystallization from ethanol.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{12}H_{13}N_3O_2$  calculated: C 62.33%; H 5.67%; N 18.17%; found: C 62.13%; H 5.67%; N 18.07%;

## **EXAMPLE 114**

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5.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 0.36 g. of n-butylamine are heated in 10 ml. of ethanol under reflux for 3 hours, and the reaction mixture is then allowed to stand for 12 hours at —10°C. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with ethanol. 0.77 g. (57%) 9-/n-butyl-amino-methylene/-3-cyano-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from ethyl acetate melts at 142°C.

Analysis for the formula  $C_{15}H_{20}N_4O$  calculated: C 66.15%; H 7.40%; N 20.57%; found: C 65.88%; H 7.43%; N 20.35%;

#### **EXAMPLE 115**

5.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-9-/ethoxy-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are boiled for 2 hours with 0.37 g. of diethylamine in 15 ml. of ethanol under reflux. The reaction mixture is allowed to stand for 12 hours at —10°C and the precipitated crystals are filtered by suction and washed with ethanol. 1.25 g. (91%) of 3-cyano-9-/diethylamino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which melts at 145°C after recrystallization from ethyl acetate.

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Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O H 7.40%; N 20.57%; calculated: C 66.15%; found: C 65.80%; H 7.53%; N 20.42%; **EXAMPLE 116** 5 10.00 mmoles of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are suspended in 15 ml. of anhydrous benzene and 5 ml. of thionyl chloride diluted with benzene are added dropwise to the reaction mixture. The mixture is stirred for 2 hours at 50—55°C, and cooled to 5—10°C. The precipitated 3-/ethoxymethylene-methyl/-9-/chloromethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidinium chloride is 10 10 filtered, washed with anhydrous benzene. The salt is dried in vacuo above calcium chloride. The salt is then suspended in a 15-fold amount of anhydrous benzene and an equivalent amount of triethyl amine is added to the suspension. The precipitated triethylammonium chloride is filtered and the filtrate is evaporated. The residual oily product is cooled and filtered by suction. 1.81 g. (61%) of 3-/ethoxymethylene-methyl/-9-/chloromethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-15 15 a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point: 51—53°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>CIN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> calculated: C 56.66%; H 5.77%; N 9.44%; CI 11.95%; N 9.33%; CI 11.58%; found: C 56.15%; H 5.65%; **EXAMPLE 117** 20 From 10.0 mmoles of 9-formyl-3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-20 a/pyrimidine 1.5 g. (67%) of 9-/chloromethylene/-3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained according to Example 116 and the product melts at 63°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O calculated: C 58.80%: H 5.83%: N 12.47%: CI 15.78%: 25 found: N 12.41%; C 58.77%; H 5.92%; CI 15.42%; 25 **EXAMPLE 118** 0.5 g. of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/chloromethylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is dissolved in 5 ml. of acetone dried above potassium carbonate and 0.51 g. of ammonium rhodanide is added. The reaction mixture is stirred for 2 hours at -3°C to 5°C and poured 30 to 20 ml. of water. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered by suction after cooling and washed 30 with water. 0.45 g. (83%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-9-/thiocyanato-methylene/-6,7,8,9tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point; 108°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S calculated: C 55.07%; H 4.94%; N 13.76%: S 10.50%; C 55.15%; H 4.89%; N 13.69%; S 10.61%; 35 35 found: **EXAMPLE 119** 5.0 mmoles of 9-/chloromethylene/-3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine are reacted with 0.46 g. of ammonium rhodanide as described in Example 118 and thus 0.92 g. (74%) 3,6-dimethyl-9-/thiocyanatomethylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-40 a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point: 108°C. 40 Analysis for the formula C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS `H'5.30%; N 16.99%; calculated: C 58.28%; S 12.97%: found: C 58.90%; H 5.58%; N 16.86%: S 12.79%: **EXAMPLE 120** According to Example 118 5.0 mmoles of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-9-/chloromethylene/-6-45 45 methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 0.46 g. of ammonium rhodanide are reacted and 0.97 g. (61%) 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-methyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-9-/thiocyanato-methylene/-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point: 98°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S C 56.41%; calculated: H 5.37%; N 13.16%; S 10.04%: 50 50 found: C 56.07%: H 5.45%; N 13.22%: S 10.05%: **EXAMPLE 121** 5.0 mmoles of 3-ethyl-2,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 3.65 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.5 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide is added at 55 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is then stirred for 1 hour at room temperature, for 1 hour at 55—60°C 55 and for 30 minutes at 90°C. The formed 3-ethyl-9-/(dimethyl-imino)-methyl/-2,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine salt is hydrolysed without isolation to give 3-ethyl-9formyl-2,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine by pouring the cooled

reaction mixture on 15 g. of ice and the pH of the solution is adjusted to 6—6.5 by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystals are filtered and washed with water. 0.85 g.

(72.5%) of crystalline substance is obtained, which melts at 114—116°C after recrystallization from ethyl acetate. Analysis for the formula C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> C 70.34%; calculated: H 6.52%; N 12.95% C 69.85%; found: H 6.67%; N 12.08%; 5 **EXAMPLE 123** 1.5 mmoles of 7-ethoxycarbonyl-3-phenyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are heated for 1 hour under reflux with 0.22 g. of dimethylformamide and 0.46 g. phosphorus trichloride oxide in 5 ml. dichloroethane. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 5 g. of ice and the pH is adjusted 10 to 7 by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated and the 10 . aqueous layer is shaken out with 2x5 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined organic layer is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off. The residual 9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-7ethoxy-carbonyl-3-phenyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is converted without isolation by stirring it in 3 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution for 3 hours at room temperature. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered, washed with water. 0.3 g. (61%) of 7-ethoxycarbonyl-3-15 phenyl-9-formyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point after recrystallisation from ethanol: 146°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> calculated: C 66.25%; H 5.56%; N 8.85%; found: C 66.80%: H 5.63%; N 8.48%; 20 **EXAMPLE 124** 5.0 mmoles of 6-methyl-4-oxo-2-piperidyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 3.65 g. of dimethylformamide and 1.5 g. phosphorus trichloride oxide is added at 15—20°C. The reaction mixture is then stirred for 6 hours at room temperature and poured on 20 g. of ice. The pH of the solution is adjusted to 6—6.5 by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The neutral solution is shaken out with 1x50 ml. and 2x30 ml. of benzene and the combined benzene extract is dried above anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off. Through the residue ethyl acetate is distilled. The oily substance is triturated with petrolether. 0.6 g. (43%) of 9-/formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-2-piperidyl-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point after 30 recrystallization from ethanol: 206-207°C. 30 Analysis for the formula C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Ĥ 7.69%; calculated: C 65.43%; N 15.26%; found: C 64.84%; H 7.74%; N 15.40%; **EXAMPLE 125** 35 10.0 mmoles of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-ethyl/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-35 a/pyrimidine are dissolved in 7.3 g. of dimethylformamide and 3.1 g. of phosphorylchloride oxide is added dropwise at 20°C. The reaction mixture is then stirred for 1 hour at room temperature and for 2 hours at 60°C. The reaction mixture is cooled and poured on 30 g. of ice. The pH of the aqueous reaction mixture is adjusted to neutral by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The precipitated crystalline substance is cooled, filtered by suction and washed with water. 2.2 g. (79%) 40 of 3-/ethoxycarbonyl-ethyl/-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, melting point after recrystallization from ethanol: 112°C. Analysis for the formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O calculated: C 61.63%; H 6.90%; N 9.58%: 45 found: C 61.62%; H 7.02%; N 9.51%: 45 **EXAMPLE 126** 5.0 mmoles of 3-cyano-9-formyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine and 0.51 g. of phenylhydrazine are reacted according to Example 114 to give 1.25 g. (81%) of 3-cyano-9-/2'-phenyl-hydrazino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine. Melting point: 188°C (ethanol). 50 Analysis for the formula C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O calculated: C 66.22%; H 5.88%; N 22.71%; found: C 66.40%; H 5.78%; N 22.82%; **EXAMPLE 127** 10.0 mmoles of (+) 3-carboxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine  $\alpha_n^{20}$ 55 = +116° (c = 2, methanol) are used as starting material according to Example 112 and 1.2 g. (38%) of (-)3-carboxy-9-/-dimethyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2a/pyrimidine is obtained which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 219°C.  $\alpha_D^{20} = -497^{\circ} \pm 5$ (c = 1, methanol).

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#### **EXAMPLE 128**

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2.1 mmoles (-)3-carboxy-9-/dimethyl-amino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4Hpyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine ( $\alpha_{\rm p}^{20}=-497^{\circ}\pm5$ , c = 2, methanol) as starting material is hydrolysed according to Example 113 and 0.35 g. (71%) of (+) 9-formyl-3-carboxy-6-methyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol melts at 168—170°C.  $\alpha_0^{20} = +5^{\circ}$  (c = 1, methanol).

## **EXAMPLE 129**

1.26 g. of dimethylsulfate and 0.75 g. of dimethylformamide are heated for 2 hours at 80°C, 5.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is added 10 to the thus prepared iminium salt, whereafter the reaction mixture is kept for 4 hours at 60°C. The 10 mixture is then cooled, poured on 15 g. of ice and thus the pH of the solution is adjusted to 7 by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The aqueous solution is shaken out with 3x10 ml. of benzene, dried above sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled off. The residual oil is purified by Kieselgel thin layer chromatography. The separated 9-/dimethylamino-methylene/-3-ethoxy-carbonyl-15 6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine does not give melting point depression 15 when admixed with the product of Examples 2 and 3.

## **EXAMPLE 130**

10.0 mmoles of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are reacted with 2.3 g. of N-formyl-piperidine and 3.1 g. of phosphorus trichloride oxide according to Example 109 and thus 3.25 g. (98%) of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-9-/piperidino-methylene/-6-methyl-4-oxo-20 6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression when admixed with the product of Example 67.

### **EXAMPLE 131**

10.0 mmoles of 3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine are dissolved 25 in 20 ml. of dichloroethane and the solution is stirred together with 2.3 g. of N-formyl-piperidine and 25 3.1 g. of phosphoryl chloride oxide for 30 minutes at room temperature and under reflux for 1 hour. The cooled reaction mixture is poured on 20 g. of ice and the pH is adjusted to 7 by adding a 20% by W/V solution of sodium carbonate. The two layers are separated, the aqueous layer is shaken out with 2x15 ml. of dichloroethane. The combined dichloroethane solution is dried with sodium sulfate and the 30 solvent is distilled off. The formed 3,6-dimethyl-9-/piperidino-methylene/-4-oxo-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-4H-  $_{
m 30}$ pyrido/1,2-a/-pyrimidine is stirred for 1 hour at room temperature in 15 ml. of 0.5 ml. of 0.5 N hydrochloric acid solution. The precipitated crystalline substance is filtered by suction and washed with water. 1.1 g. (53%) of 9-formyl-3,6-dimethyl-4-oxo-1,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-pyrido/1,2-a/pyrimidine is obtained, which after recrystallization from ethanol does not give melting point depression with the 35 product of Example 26. 35

## **CLAIMS**

## 1. Compounds of the general formula (I)

$$R^{8} \stackrel{R^{7}}{\underset{R}{\overset{R^{5}}{\smile}}} R^{5}$$
 $R^{9} \stackrel{R^{10}}{\underset{R}{\overset{(CH_{2})_{n}}{\smile}}} R^{10}$ 
 $R^{1} \stackrel{R^{10}}{\underset{R}{\overset{(CH_{2})_{n}}{\smile}}} R^{2}$ 
 $R^{1} \stackrel{R^{10}}{\underset{R}{\overset{(CH_{2})_{n}}{\smile}}} R^{3}$ 
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wherein

R represents hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or alkoxycarbonyl containing 1—4 carbon atoms in the alkoxy moiety;

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 $R^1$  represents hydrogen or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl; or

R and R1 together form —(CH=CH)2— being attached to the two adjacent ring-carbon atoms in which case the dotted line represents a carbon-carbon bond,

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 $R^2$  represents hydrogen, halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, phenyl or a 5- or 6-membered monocyclic heterocyclic saturated ring;

R³ represents hydrogen, optionally substituted phenyl, C<sub>1-4</sub> acyl, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl containing C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, nitrile, carbamoyl, alkylcarbamoyl, alkyl, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkanoyl substituted carbamoyl, acid-hydrazido, (—CONHNH<sub>2</sub>) or —CO—NH—N=C (R¹²R¹³) (wherein R¹² and R¹³, which may be the same or different, each represents C1-4 alkyl or carboxyalkyl or alkoxycarbonylalkyl or phenyl,

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R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> form together —(CH<sub>2</sub>), (wherein t is 3 or 4),

	Z represents oxygen and n is 0, 1 or 2 and a) if R <sup>11</sup> is hydrogen and R <sup>9</sup> and R <sup>10</sup> together and R <sup>7</sup> and R <sup>8</sup> together each form a chemical bond then	
5	R <sup>4</sup> stands for hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, in which case R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>6</sup> each represents a lone pair of electrons or Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and	5
10	$R^5$ represents $C_{1-4}$ alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy or alkoxycarbonyl containing $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy or phenyl optionally substituted by one or several nitro, $C_{1-4}$ alkyl, or alkoxycarbonyl containing $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy, and/or halogen; mono- or bicyclic nitrogen-containing heteroaryl,	, 10
	hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino,  R <sup>6</sup> represents an unshared electron-pair, hydrogen or C <sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, and in these two cases a salt is formed between the positive nitrogen and an anion, or	•
15	b) if R <sup>10</sup> and R <sup>11</sup> together form a chemical bond and R <sup>9</sup> stands for hydrogen, R <sup>8</sup> and R <sup>7</sup> together form a chemical bond, then R <sup>4</sup> , R <sup>5</sup> , R <sup>6</sup> and Y are as given under item (a); or	15
20	c) if R <sup>8</sup> and R <sup>9</sup> together, and R <sup>10</sup> and R <sup>11</sup> together each form a chemical bond, then R <sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, and Y, R <sup>5</sup> , R <sup>6</sup> , R <sup>7</sup> together form a halogen atom; or	20
	Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>7</sup> each represents an unshared electron-pair, and R <sup>5</sup> represents hydrogen or C <sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; or	
25	Y represents a sulfur atom without its lone pairs of electrons,  R <sup>6</sup> and R <sup>7</sup> each represents a lone pair of electrons, and  R <sup>5</sup> is cyano; or	25
30	Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons,  R <sup>5</sup> represents C <sub>1-4</sub> alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or alkoxycarbonyl or phenyl optionally substituted by nitro, C <sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or alkoxycarbonyl containing C <sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy, and/or	20
30	halogen; mono- or bicyclic nitrogen containing heteroaryl,  R <sup>6</sup> represents hydrogen or C <sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or  R <sup>4</sup> and R <sup>6</sup> together form —(CH <sub>2</sub> )m— wherein m is 3 or 4, or	30
35	R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>6</sup> together form —(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>p</sub> — wherein p is 4 or 5, and R <sup>7</sup> represents an unshared pair of electrons] and the tautomers and salts thereof. 2. Compounds as claimed in claim 1, wherein n is 0. 3. Compounds as claimed in claim 1, wherein n is 1.	35
	4. Compounds as claimed in claim 1, wherein R represents a hydrogen atom.  5. Compounds as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein R represents an alkyl group with 1 to 4 carbon atoms.	
40	<ul> <li>6. Compounds as claimed in claim 5 wherein R represents a methyl group.</li> <li>7. Compounds as claimed in claim 6 wherein R represents a methyl group in the 6-position.</li> <li>8. Compounds as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein R¹ represents a hydrogen</li> </ul>	40
45	9. Compounds as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 7 wherein R <sup>1</sup> represents an alkyl group with 1 to 4 carbon atoms.  10. Compounds as claimed in claim 9 wherein R <sup>1</sup> represents a methyl group.	45 .
	<ul> <li>11. Compounds as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein R² represents hydrogen, halogen, phenyl or a 5- or 6-membered saturated monocyclic heterocyclic ring.</li> <li>12. Compounds as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which R¹¹ represents a hydrogen</li> </ul>	
50	atom, R <sup>9</sup> and R <sup>10</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R <sup>7</sup> and R <sup>8</sup> together form a carbon-nitrogen bond, R <sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl and Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons wherein R <sup>5</sup> represents pyridyl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino.	50
55	13. Compounds as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 11 in which R <sup>9</sup> represents a hydrogen atom, R <sup>10</sup> and R <sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R <sup>7</sup> and R <sup>8</sup> together form a carbon-nitrogen bond, R <sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl and Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons wherein R <sup>5</sup> represents pyridyl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino.  14. Compounds as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 11 in which R <sup>8</sup> and R <sup>9</sup> together form a	55
60	carbon-carbon bond, R <sup>10</sup> and R <sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R <sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, R <sup>7</sup> represents a lone pair of electrons and Y represents a nitrogen without its lone pair of electrons wherein R <sup>5</sup> represents pyridyl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino.	60
	15. Compounds as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in the form of their physiologically compatible salts.	
65	16. Compounds as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in the form of their optically active isomers.	65

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17. Compounds as claimed in claim 1 as herein specifically disclosed.

18. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 [wherein R<sup>9</sup> represents hydrogen, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together form a carbon-nitrogen bond, Y represents a nitrogen atom, R<sup>5</sup> represents the radical R<sup>15</sup> which represents alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy or allow carbonyl in which the alkoxy moiety contains from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, phenyl optionally substituted by at least one nitro, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or alkoxycarbonyl in which the alkoxy moiety contains from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, and/or halogen; mono- or bi-cyclic nitrogen containing heteroaryl and R<sup>6</sup> represents the radical R<sup>16</sup> which represents hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together form a group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>— (wherein m is as defined in claim 1) or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together form a group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— (wherein p is as defined in claim 1)] or a tautomer thereof, which process comprises reacting a compound of the formula:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R^{1} & C P_{2} \\ \hline \\ R & Z \end{array} \qquad (II)$$

(wherein R, R1, R2, R3, z and n as defined in claim 1) with a compound of the general formula

$$\begin{bmatrix} R^{5} & & & \\ R^{6} & & & \\ & & &$$

wherein R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, R<sup>15</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> are as herein defined or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> together form a group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— (wherein m is as herein defined) or R<sup>15</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> together form a group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— (wherein p is as herein defined), X represents a leaving atom or group, A represents an anion and q is the charge on the anion] whereby a compound of the formula

$$\begin{bmatrix} R^{4} & R^{15} & \oplus \\ R^{1} & R^{15} & \oplus \\ R^{1} & R^{2} & R^{3} \end{bmatrix}_{q} \oplus$$
(Ia)

(wherein R, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>15</sup>, R<sup>16</sup>, A, Z, n and q are as herein defined) or a tautomer or salt thereof is obtained.

19. A process as claimed in claim 18 wherein a compound of formula III is used in which X represents a halogen atom or a  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy group.

20. A process as claimed in claim 18 or claim 19 wherein a compound of formula III is used in which R<sup>15</sup> represents a pyridyl group.

21. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 having the formula:

(wherein R, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, Z and n are as defined in claim 1 and R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>15</sup> and R<sup>16</sup> are as defined in claim 18) or a tautomer thereof, which process comprises reacting a compound of formula II (as defined in claim 18) with a compound of the formula:—

$$R^{15}$$
  $OR^{17}$   $N - C - OR^{17}$   $R^4$ 

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(wherein R4, R15 and R16 are as defined in claim 18 and R17 represents an alkyl group) whereby a compound of formula lb or a tautomer or salt thereof as herein defined is obtained.

22. A process as claimed in claim 21 wherein a compound of formula IV is used in which R17 represents a C1-4 alkyl group.

23. A process as claimed in claim 21 or claim 22 wherein R15 represents a pyridyl group.

24. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 having the formula:—

(wherein R, R1, R2, R3, R4, Z and n are as defined in claim 1 and R17 is as defined in claim 21) or a tautomer thereof, which process comprises reacting a compound of formula II as defined in claim 18 with a compound of the formula:

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(wherein R4 is as defined in claim 18 and R17 is as defined in claim 21) whereby a compound of formula Ic as herein defined or a tautomer or salt thereof is obtained.

25. A process as claimed in claim 24 wherein a compound of formula V is used in which R17 represents a C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl group.

26. A process for the preparation of compounds of formula lb as defined in claim 21 or a tautomer or salt thereof which comprises reacting a compound of formula II as defined in claim 18 with a compound of the formula

20 (wherein R15 and R16 are as defined in claim 18) and with a compound of formula V as defined in claim 24 whereby a compound of formula lb as defined in claim 21 or a tautomer or salt thereof is obtained.

27. A process as claimed in claim 26 wherein a compound of formula V is used in which R17 represents a C1-4 alkyl group.

28. A process as claimed in claim 26 or claim 27 wherein a compound of formula VI is used in 25 25

which R15 represents a pyridyl group.

29. A process for the preparation of compounds of formula IB as defined in claim 21 or a tautomer or salt thereof which comprises reacting a compound of formula II as defined in claim 18 with a compound of the formula:-

$$R^{\ell} - C = N - R^{16}$$
 (VII)

(wherein R4, R15 and R16 are as defined in claim 18 and R18 represents a phenyl group) whereby a compound of formula lb as defined in claim 21 or a tautomer or salt thereof is obtained.

30. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R11 represents hydrogen, R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, Y, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together represent an oxygen atom R7 and R8 together form a carbon-oxygen bond and R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl) or a tautomer thereof which process comprises hydrolysing a compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 35 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R7 represents a lone pair of electrons, R6 represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a 40 carbon-carbon bond) or a tautomer thereof whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R11 40

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represents hydrogen, R9 and R10 together form a carbon-carbon bond, Y, R5 and R6 together represent an oxygen atom R7 and R8 together from a carbon-oxygen bond and R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl) or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

31. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together 5 form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, R7 and R6 each represent a lone pair of electrons and R5 represents C1-4 alkyl) or a tautomer thereof which process comprises treating a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R7 represents a lone 10 pair of electrons, R<sup>6</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond) or a tautomer thereof whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carboncarbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, R7 and R6 each represent a lone pair of electrons and R5 represents C1-4 alkyl) or a tautomer 15 thereof is obtained.

32. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and R7 represents a lone pair of electrons) or a tautomer thereof, which process comprises reacting a compound as claimed in claim 1 20 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents 20 a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R7 represents a lone pair of electrons, R6 represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl and R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond) or a tautomer thereof with an amine of the formula:



25 (wherein R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are as defined in claim 1) whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R9 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and R7 represents a lone pair of electrons) or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

33. A process as claimed in claim 32 wherein the compound of formula I is used in the form of its 30 hydrochloride salt.

34. A process as claimed in claim 32 or claim 33 wherein the reaction is effected in the presence of an alkane carboxylic acid.

35. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and R7 represents a lone pair of electrons) or a tautomer thereof, which process comprises a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R7 and R8 together form a carbon-oxygen bond, R9 and R10 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, R11 represents hydrogen and Y, R5 and R6 together represent an oxygen atom) or a tautomer thereof with an amine of formula VIII as defined in claim 32 whereby a compound 40 as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form 40 a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons and R7 represents a lone pair of electrons) or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

36. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond and Y, R5, R6 and R7 45 together represent a halogen atom) or a tautomer thereof which process comprises reacting a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together form a carbon-oxygen bond, R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, R11 represents hydrogen and Y, R5 and R6 together represent an oxygen atom) or a tautomer thereof with a halogenating agent whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R8 and R9 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 50 together form a carbon-carbon bond and Y, R5, R6 and R7 together represent a halogen atom) or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

37. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R11 represents hydrogen, R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, Y, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together represent an oxygen atom R7 and R8 together form a carbon-oxygen bond and R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl) or a 55 tautomer thereof which process comprises hydrolysing a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R9 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R10 and R11 together form a carbon-carbon bond, R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, R7 and R<sup>6</sup> each represents a lone pair of electrons and R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl) or a tautomer thereof whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>11</sup> represents hydrogen, R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> together form a carbon-60 carbon bond, Y, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together represent an oxygen atom R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together form a carbon-oxygen 60

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bond and R4 represents hydrogen or phenyl) or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

38. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 [wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sub>9</sub> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R<sup>7</sup> represents a lone pair of electrons, R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino, and R<sup>6</sup> represents hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together represent the group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— (wherein p is 4 or 5)] or a tautomer thereof which process comprises reacting a compound as claimed in claim 1 (wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents an oxygen atom without its lone pairs of electrons, R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> each represents a lone pair of electrons and R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl) or a tautomer thereof with an amine of



(wherein R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are as herein defined) whereby a compound as claimed in claim 1 [wherein R<sup>8</sup> and R<sup>9</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> together form a carbon-carbon bond, R<sup>4</sup> represents hydrogen or phenyl, Y represents a nitrogen atom without its lone pair of electrons, R<sup>7</sup> represents a lone pair of electrons, R<sup>5</sup> represents C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, hydroxy, aminothiocarbonyl, aminothiocarbonylamino or phenylamino, and R<sup>6</sup> represent hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together represent the group —(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>— (wherein p is 4 or 5)] or a tautomer thereof is obtained.

39. A process as claimed in any one of claims 18 to 38 wherein a compound of formula I obtained is converted into a salt thereof.

40. A process as claimed in any one of claims 18 to 38 wherein a salt of a compound of formula I obtained is converted into a compound of formula I.

41. A process as claimed in any one of claims 18 to 40 wherein the compound as claimed in claim 25 1 obtained is separated into its optically active isomers.

42. A process as claimed in any one of claims 18 to 41 substantially as herein described.

43. A process for the preparation of compounds as claimed in claim 1 substantially as herein described in any one of the Examples.

44. Compounds as claimed in claim 1 when prepared by a process as claimed in any one of claims 30 18 to 43.

45. Pharmaceutical compositions comprising as active ingredient at least one compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 or a physiologically compatible salt thereof in association with a pharmaceutical carrier or excipient.

46. Each and every novel composition, compound and process herein disclosed.

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